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Begin blasts UN move

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

Premier Menachem Begin has bitterly denounced the United Nations Security Council resolution which censured Israel for its Jerusalem Law and urged nations with embassies in that city to remove them. The resolution was passed by a vote of 14-0 with the United States abstaining. Begin blamed the passage of the resolution directly on the U.S. (See also story on page 2.)

He told reporters after the Cabinet meeting that "Israel rejects and condemns the resolution, a decision made possible by the abstention of the representatives of the United States," a reference to Secretary of State Edmund Muskie who interrupted his vacation in Maine to attend the council session where he criticized the resolution and the Jerusalem Law and abstained.

Begin described the resolution and the U.S. abstention as "surrender to blackmail by the oil monsters." He also said that Israel regrets "that friendly nations have decided to transfer their embassies from Jerusalem. We regret the amazing vote which came in the wake of the speech of the secretary of state. The vote made possible the passing of the resolution calling on a number of countries to move their embassies from Jerusalem while there are clear pressures in the U.S. to transfer the American embassy to Jerusalem."

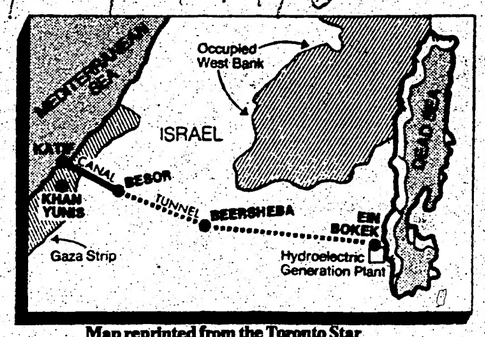
Following the passage of the Jerusalem Law last month, Venezuela, Uruguay, Ecuador and Chile have announced they will move their embassies to Tel Aviv.

The Premier reaffirmed that "the ancient nation of Israel does not need the recognition of the Security Council."

HOLOCAUST EDUCATION SEMINAR

The opening session of the first annual international symposium on how to teach the Holocaust in high schools was held at the Beth Tzedec Synagogue. Gideon Hausner, prosecutor of Adolph Eichmann, was keynote speaker. Yad Vashem awards to Righteous Gentiles who helped save Jews were presented to Jozias de Krijger [second from left], Margaret and Ulfret Vanderwal. Klara Elte [far left] was saved by the de Krijger family. See story inside on page 24.

Toronto lawyer negotiates for canal in Israel



Map reprinted from the Toronto Star

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO —

—A prominent Toronto lawyer and community leader, Alvin Rosenberg, 55, is currently meeting with Israeli officials and hoping to get a green light from the Israel government to proceed with a $700 million water canal and hydro-electric project in the Negev Desert.

If approved, the project will link the Mediterranean to the Dead Sea by means of a 60-mile combination of sea water canal, tunnel and pipeline that will terminate at Dead Sea with a giant hydro-electric generating plant.

Rosenberg has put in five years of visits with various Israeli ministry officials during which time the Israeli government has carried out engineering feasibility and cost studies.

In the meantime, Rosenberg has lined up an investment syndicate of 60 members from Canada, United States, Britain, France and Israel which is willing to guarantee one billion dollars capitalization for the project which could take anywhere from five years to 25 years to complete, he said.

Details are being hammered out over such details as rates Israel would pay for water and electricity.

Rosenberg describes members of his syndicate as staunch supporters of Israel who are seeking a way to boost sagging Israeli morale while at the same time creating a viable financial enterprise.

Economist Baruch Barak from Israel's economic mission in Toronto, who met with Rosenberg last week, predicted that if the project materializes, "it will be the largest and single most important project of the century for Israel.

"Since the redeployment of Israel's military installation in the Negev following the peace treaty with Egypt," Baruk continued, "the civilian aspects of the Negev such as electrical power, industry, tourism, agriculture will have to be attended to with even more intensity than before."

Rosenberg, a former chairman of the board of Mount Sinai Hospital and long-time worker for Israel, told The CJN that he felt "more optimistic than ever" that his group's proposals would be accepted by the Israeli government because (a) the Israeli cabinet for the first time approved the project in principle just over a week ago and (b) his group was identified as the one ready to enter into negotiations with the Israeli government.

Rosenberg added, however, that it was conceivable that the Israeli government, or even another investors' group could be prepared to finance the project.

The sea water carrier will transport about a billion tons of water annually across the Negev — a modern day miracle which would literally make the desert come alive with new agricultural settlements, inland industry and artificial lakes for tourist attractions.

The hydro-electric power project at Ein Bokek on the Dead Sea will have a 1,000-foot drop from the Judean Hills to the Dead Sea, the lowest spot on the earth.

"This is three times the drop of Niagara Falls and will generate enough power not only for the Negev, but could provide 15% of Israel's electricity," said Rosenberg, who is the current co-chairman of major gifts in the UJA campaign, and a board member of Haifa University.

The power stations will also desalinate enough water to provide for the agricultural needs of about 150 new agricultural settlements.

Rosenberg pointed out that the new inland industry would take the pressure off the already, overcrowded, over-industrialized seacoast and provide more security for Israel's industry which would be less vulnerable to enemy attacks inland.

Rosenberg said he has been inspired for the last 20 years by the dreams of Ben-Gurion and many others who saw the development of the Negev as a key to a strong Israel in terms of settlement and economy.

The Negev, the arid southland of Israel, is the only region in Israel endowed with any significant natural resources such as potash, magnesium, bromine, sodium and low-grade uranium.

Alvin Rosenberg

[Karsh photo]

"If water was brought from the Mediterranean to the Dead Sea," Rosenberg speculated, "the whole Dead Sea could become a vast solar pool which could serve all of Israel's energy needs." At present, the Dead Sea is drying up at the rate of half-an-inch a year.

An athlete with interests in scuba diving, judo and tennis (he participated in the Maccabiah games), Rosenberg said that he is ready to move to Israel with his wife, Gloria, and members of his family if the project gets the go-ahead. The Rosenbergs have seven children.

A senior partner in the firm of Rosenberg, Smith, Paton, Hyman and Matlow, Rosenberg described his law partners as "a thousand per cent supportive," and that "there is no question but that I'm ready to spend the rest of my life dedicated to seeing this project through."

Rosenberg disclosed that the final route of the canal has yet to be decided.

The route now favored by the Israelis crosses the Gaza strip, an Israeli-occupied Arab territory, which the present Israeli government has said it will not surrender. Problems with Jordan, which has mineral mines on the opposite side of the Dead Sea, could arise if the mines were threatened with flooding.

Rosenberg affirmed that his group would steer clear of the political ramifications. "That's all up to the Israeli government to handle," he said. "We're just onlookers in those matters."

Cabinet told of our concerns

MONTREAL —

Irwin Cotler, president and Alan Rose, executive vice-president of the Canadian Jewish Congress have met 11 times with members of the federal cabinet in the last few months to discuss various concerns of the Jewish community, it was reported at a meeting of national officers held recently in the Chateau Mirabel at Mirabel airport. Also present at the meeting were chairmen of national committees who reported on their activities.

Rose said a "positive attitude" exists on the part of the government towards Canadian Jewry and Congress and he noted that Prime Minister Trudeau's office was especially gratified that Congress has formed a committee to bring in recommendations on constitutional reform.

Cotler, who has been invited to participate in a government "think in" on foreign policy, told the meeting he has met twice with the minister of external affairs, Mark MacGuigan. He said Congress is preparing documentation for MacGuigan's department of violations of human rights by Soviet Russia which Canada could use at the forthcoming Madrid conference to review the Helsinki Final Act.

Working in co-operation with the Canadian Committee of Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry, Congress has specific information on the refusal by Russia to permit the emigration of Jews to join their families in Canada — which is contrary to the Helsinki human rights agreement.

Both Cotler and Rose will appear before a House of Commons standing committee on external affairs and defence to present a brief on human rights. Rose will speak for Congress and Cotler will speak as the legal counsel for a number of Jews in the Soviet Union who are victims of anti-Jewish activities.

Cotler discussed with MacGuigan the state of oppressed Jewry in Soviet Russia, Syria, Iran, Ethiopia and Latin America. He pointed out that in Iran, particularly, all minorities are in jeopardy and mentioned specifically the Bahai as well as the Jews.

The CJC president requested that Canada, through diplomatic channels, obtain reports on the status of the Jews in these countries.

Cotler pointed out to the minister whart he termed "the emerging phenomenon of the 80s" — that legal indictments are being introduced against Jews for being Zionists.

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National agencies given warning of tight financial situation in 1981

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

The three national Jewish organizations — Canadian Jewish Congress, Jewish Immigrant Aid Services and Canada-Israel Committee — were told to expect a tight financial situation in 1981, at the recent mid-year plenary of the National Budgeting Conference held here.

The outcome of Montreal's Combined Jewish Appeal holds the key to just how stringent the 1981 budget will be, said NBC chairman Hillel Becker. Although most of the federations across Canada raised at least as much as the previous year in their campaigns this spring (some actually showed significant increases, notably Winnipeg and Calgary), it was still not enough to balance Toronto United Jewish Appeal's decrease, he said.

Montreal's CJA will therefore have to register an increase sufficient to offset the overall national decline plus inflation, if current national programming can continue. Montreal is the only community which conducts its campaign in the fall.

The CJC, JIAS and CIC will soon begin preparation of their 1981 budgets which should be completed by the end of November and ready for implementation by Jan. 1.

"It's not going to be easy — that was the prediction," Becker said. All three organizations have indicated that they expected to need more money.

AJCS President Irving Halperin told the more than 45 representatives of federated communities from Vancouver to the Maritimes present at the meeting that in order to cut expenditures the Montreal community will discontinue the program (at a cost of $500,000) of maintaining 53 beds at Attendacare, a private facility for chronically ill elderly. ACJS feels this money can benefit a greater number of elderly persons through other programs, such as home care.

AJCS will again this year follow a budgeting system whereby all its local agencies will first submit a budget based on 90% of its allocation of the previous year and then submit supplementary requests. The requests from all the agencies are ranked by priority and the 10% left over, plus any increase in CJA contributions is used to pay for them until this pool of money runs out.

In Toronto, the local agencies have been told to ask for no more than 5% over the current fiscal year's budget.

It was also indicated at the meeting that more money may have to be sent to Israel in view of the dramatic cuts the Jewish Agency has had to make.

In its six-month report given at the meeting, JIAS projected that it will overspend its 1980 budget by $100,000, mainly because of the influx of a large number of Soviet Jewish immigrants to Canada, almost double to what had been expected. The increased expenditures are on direct relief to these immigrants, such as food, shelter and clothing. Government aid has kept JIAS costs lower than what they might have been.

"No criticism was made of JIAS," Becker noted. In fact it was commended for being able to hold expenditures as low as it has."

CJC reported that is is having some difficulty living within its budget as a result of constitutional changes, passed at its May plenary assembly, which call for more meetings and invitations to more people. Its travel costs are therefore higher.

"Congress indicated that it may do some chopping in order to stay within its budget between now and the end of the year," Becker said.

CIC has had no major problem in keeping within its budget thus far.

'Together but different'

Mexican Jewry adapts but doesn't assimilate

Sheldon Kirshner, in his continuing series on Mexico, writes about the Jewish community in this article. Upcoming stories will focus on the community's model sports-social club, Mexico's Marranos, or Indian Jews and the lives of the only Jewish family in a small Mexican town.

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By SHELDON KIRSHNER

MEXICO CITY —

Jews in Mexico, comprising a thread of Mexico's rich racial fabric, have adapted remarkably well to this land moulded by the Indians and colonized by the Spanish.

But adaptation is hardly synonymous with assimilation.

Mexican Jews, by and large, have pretty well blended into the broad colorful canvas of Mexico's society, yet they remain apart from their Roman Catholic neighbors.

"Commercially, the community is fully integrated, but socially it is not," says Simon Feldman, lay head of the Ashkenazi kehilla for the last 40 years.

High society, he adds, hasn't really accepted Jews into its ranks. But, then, Jews would rather socialize with other Jews. "Why should we try to mix?" he asks rhetorically. "You might say our credo is 'together but different.'"

Though there are undoubtedly Jews in Mexico whose own lives do not reflect this reality, and who would not take kindly to this formula

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for co-existence, it appears that most Mexican Jews subscribe to it.

One well-informed member of the community, a native of Mexico City, confesses to feeling that his fellow Mexicans don't quite accept him as a true Mexican but, rather, as something of a foreigner.

Politics, he explains, is at the root of his unease.

Despite the presence of several Jews in high-ranking government positions, Jews, as a rule, eschew politics, he says. "One reason is that they know they can't get to the top. There has never been a Jewish state governor or a member of parliament. And there are very few Jews, if any at all, in the Instituional Revolutionary Party who wield any real power." The Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, has ruled Mexico uninterruptedly since 1929.

Speaking of parliamentary elections, he muses: "The electorate is strongly Catholic and they wouldn't vote for a Jewish candidate. Jews know they're not wanted or accepted. It's an unwritten law. Jews have no political power in this country. We're navigating in a sea without a rudder. We're not taken into account by the government when it reaches decisions."

He pointed out, however, that Mexico is without a serious anti-semitic tradition. "Major politicians do not make anti-semitic speeches. The government wouldn't tolerate official anti-semitism."

Simon Feldman is asked why Jews do not generally engage in politics. "We don't have an interest in it. It's not worth the effort. Participation would only give us headaches. Ask anyone else and you'll get the same answer. Politics in Mexico is very personal. It's at the discretion of the president."

Sergio Nudelstejer, secretary-general of the Comite Central Israelita de Mexico, claims the absence of Jews in politics is attributable to the community's history. "We're a young community, dating back mostly to the 1920s. The first generation wasn't integrated, being an immigrant community. The second generation started the process of integration."

Jews, he goes on to say, haven't had the time to participate in politics. "But the process has begun. In 15 years' time, a lot more Jews will be in the government, and there'll be Jews in the Chamber of Deputies and in the Senate."

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Deadline changes

The offices of The Canadian Jewish News will be closed on Rosh Hashanah. Because of this, the deadline for the SEPT. 18 issue will be advanced. Editorial deadline: Tuesday noon, Sept. 9; advertising deadline, 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10.

New building for Creative Living

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

The Centre for Creative Living is one of the big success stories in the Toronto Jewish Community. Started only 10 years ago, with a handful of people, in improvised quarters, the centre has met an urgent and growing need for cultural, recreational and education for senior adults.

Now the centre is getting its own new building, at the corner of Bathurst and Steeles, an ideal site to serve Jewish senior citizens. To be known as The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, the new building will cost $1,438,600 and provide 17,000 square feet of space on one floor, on land donated by Metro Housing Company Limited.

Construction will start this fall and it is expected to be ready for occupancy in October, 1981.

Presently the centre is serving 1,500 members in quarters it shares with the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization at 15 Hove St.

The new building will permit an expanded program, with the membership expected to increase by 50% within a year or two.

A public campaign for $250,000 to help build the centre has been announced by Aaron Brotman, president. Spearheading the project is Dr. Brian W. Hands, chairman of the building committee together with Frances Mandell and Penny Cader, chairmen of funding; David R. Phillips, chairman of public relations; David Langer, chairman of construction committee. Principal architects are the firm of Martin Mendelow & Partners, and Jack Brenzel.

The project has required intensive work in the planning stage to take advantage of the Metro Housing Company's offer of free land which expires at the end of 1980.

Other contributions to the capital cost of the centre have been made: Metro Toronto is providing $175,000, in addition to the site, the city of North York is donating $230,000, and Wintario a total of $280,000.

The building committee acknowledges also a substantial contribution from Joseph and Esther Betel in memory of their son, for whom the centre will be named.

The new facilities will allow two kosher meals a day to be served — the dinner a meal and lunch a pareve. At present, only lunch is served at the BBYO house. The new operation will also require a larger program, kitchen and maintenance staff. The operating budget is expected to increase from $203,846 in 1979, to $479,500. in 1983.

The centre is considered a model of its kind in North America, particularly in raising 44% of the operating budget on its own through membership fees and other internal fund-raising. Other operational funding comes from the United Way, Toronto Jewish Congress and provincial and municipal governments.

Inspecting sketch of Centre for Creative Living are, left to right: Aaron Brotman, Joseph Betel, Murray Betel, Dr. Brian Hands.

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World News

Denying Holocaust is next in 'anti-Zionism' procedures

By RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

Last week I related in this column the latest outcroppings of the anti-Zionist campaign and how it had expressed itself in Toronto. I predicted then and I will continue to predict that the phenomenon of people marching in the streets and calling first the Zionists and then all Jews racists will spread to all parts of Canada. This campaign will aim at Jewish public figures and will demand that they be replaced because of their sympathy for Israel which makes them unacceptable "racists."

Rabbi Gunther Plaut

Where did it all come from and what defence, if any, do we have?

I do not know where the idea was first hatched, but there is no question that it grew up and went to school as a disciple of Hitler and Stalin.

Hitler's most successful early ploy was his aggression against Czechoslovakia. In order to camouflage his intent he, the ultra-racist, portrayed the Germans in that country (the so-called Sudetendeutschen) as victims of Czech racism. In the end a pliant international community forgot who was who and let the "victim" rape the "aggressor."

The Hitlerian art was further refined by Stalin and his crew who perfected the method of double talk and doublethink, by which black is called white and vice versa. Thus, democratic freedoms in the west are called "capitalist exploitation," while the restrictions of freedoms in the Communist block countries are labeled "democracy."

The "Zionism is racism" equation — which has been dastardly successful — is of this order. The Jews were victimized by the Nazis and partially exterminated, but it is really the Jews who were and are labeled the real racists.

While Arab propagandists promise to exterminate the Jews of Israel and drive them into the sea, it is the Jews who are accused to genocide.

Why does this reversal work? One reason is the general debasement of language which no longer accords precise meanings to words. Everything is deemed to be relative, including words and their meanings. A second reason is the public's ignorance of what Zionism means and what its record has been. There is no knowledge of the love of Zion as a pervasive element in Jewish thought since ancient days — a yearning which found its expression in the Psalmist's song, "if I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand wither . . ."

There is no knowledge of the fact that until the 1948 war was forced on the Jews every single dunam was acquired by purchase. There is no understanding of the need for a Jewish state — though Islamic or Christian countries seem to be perfectly normal historical phenomena. Jews are different by definition and a double standard is therefore applicable in their case.

A third reason: people want a quick explanation for their economic, political and social ills. A plausible scapegoat may satisfy this craving. Jews have for several thousaand years now been held up as the world's identifiable devil, and Zionism is racism provides a new chapter in this sorry tale.

In fact, the very ignorance of the aims of Zionism, its history and its accomplishments is a plus in the campaign to discredit it. The less one knows about it the more acceptable the identification with racism. Repeat the word Zionizm often enough and it becomes the embodiment of all evil. That is what has taken place, and we who have been so long history's vicitims are now depicted as the ultimate aggressors. We are devil.

Part of this campaign is the denial that the Holocaust ever took place. Given a few more years, it will be "proved" that not only did six million Jews not die but it was six million Germans who were gassed by us. Impossible? I wish it were. There is no Jew who can hide from the bitter consequences of this development. We are in it together. We are held up to obloquy, all of us, because we are Jews. What shall we do?

I know that there is one thing that we can and must do, at least for ourselves: we must learn what the love of Zion really is, that it is an ethical ideal, of inclusion not of exclusion, and that it responds to the deepest hopes of our religion.

Precisely because the term is devalued amongst others, we must raise it high in the panoply of the things we cherish. If the world decries it, we need to reaffirm it, and we should not be defensive about it. We should once again proclaim ourselves loudly and widely as Zionists. Let others know this, and some of them at least will understand that there is more to the term than Arab propaganda would lead them to believe.

This would also be a good time for our Zionist organizations to go out to our masses and enlist them. Let every Jew subscribe to the Zionist program and, whatever the world will say, proudly proclaim "I am a Zionist!"

[Uzi Keren photo]

BEGIN MEETS WITH SOLDIERS

Israel Prime Minister Menachem Begin meets with Israeli soldiers following a recent operation in the Litany River area of southern Lebanon.

Israel appoints new commissioner for tourism here

NEW YORK (JTA) — Uzi Michaeli has been appointed Israel's commissioner for tourism to North America. He took over the post from Israel Zuriel, who is returning to Israel at the completion of his six-year term in the United States.

From 1978 until the present, Michaeli served as director for the western United States for the Israel Government Tourist Office in Los Angeles.

Michaeli is a Jerusalemite and has a B.A. in political science and Middle Eastern studies from Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He was with the Prime Minister's office from 1959 to 1962, when he joined the ministry of tourism. He spent five years (1968-73) in Chicago as director of the midwestern region of the Israel tourist office. Prior to coming to Los Angeles, he was director of the tourism ministry's overseas operations and then was deputy director-general of the ministry.

Michaeli was a founding member of Kubbutz Tel Katzir near the Sea of Galilee. He was director of tourism and economic development for the Jerusalem municipality and was secretary general of the Israel Museum and the Jerusalem Foundation.

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The partners of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. announce the appointment of C. David Weyman F.C.A. as Senior Tax Partner. Mr. Weyman is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of British Columbia and of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. He is a Member of the Estate Planning Council of Toronto, is a Lecturer at courses and seminars on taxation including the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants Tax Courses. Mr. Weyman has also participated in and presented papers at Canadian Tax Foundation and Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants Conferences. He is the author of numerous articles on taxation.

Canadian ethnic press flourishes

By JEFF BIEN

OTTAWA — Two centuries ago, Anthony Henry realized a life-long dream. He published the first ethnic newspaper in Canada. Die Welt, and Nevschottlandische Correspondenz. Two hundred years later, Canada boasts a flourishing ethnic press numbering 200 newspapers — one for each year since Anthony Henry realized his dream.

Out of the 14 newspapers which began to publish between 1877 and 1915, three Yiddish papers still publish today: the Keneder Adler (Montreal, 1907-), Dos Yiddishe Vort (Winnipeg, 1910-), and the Yiddisher Journal (Toronto, 1912-). They are among the dozens of ethnic press being exhibited at the National Library of Canada 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily until Sept. 21.

At least a hundred people attended the opening ceremonies for the exhibition "The Ethnic Press in Canada," hosted by the National Librarian, Dr. Guy Sylvestre. Among them were editors, publishers, librarians and government officials. In a short address Jim Fleming, minister of state for multiculturalism, emphasizes the importance of the ethnic press and intimated that he would do whatever he could to ensure their continued existence.

A special tabloid distributed at the opening ceremonies tells of the importance of the ethnic press best in an editorial describing the debt that historians, genealogists, sociologists and political scientists owe to the newspapers.

Included in the exhibition is a showcase of Jewish newspapers including The Canadian Jewish News

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Candidates rap UN resolution

WASHINGTON [JTA] — Republican presidential nominee Ronald Reagan, Independent presidential hopeful Rep. John Anderson, and erstwhile Democratic Party candidate Senator Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts have condemned the United Nations Security Council resolution which censured Israel for its Jerusalem Law and urged nations with embassies in that city to remove them.

Both Reagan and Anderson directly criticized the Carter administration for abstaining, while Kennedy appeared to imply criticism in his statement.

In a statement issued here by the Reagan-Bush campaign headquarters, the GOP nominee said he was "appalled to see the U.S. abstain rather than veto" the resolution. He noted that the resolution "not only undermines progress toward peace in the Middle East by putting the UN on record against Israel and on one side of the sensitive issue on the status of Jerusalem.

"It further presumes to direct other nations, including our Dutch ally, to move their embassies from Jerusalem by prejudging this most sensitive issue. The resolution completely undercuts the rationale of UN Security council Resolution 242 . . . I am shocked that the Carter administration which has made so much of its attempts to bring about peace in the Middle East abstained from voting. By doing so it also encourages the unrelenting harassment of Israel."

Reagan added that the administration's failure to veto the measure is "ludicrous in the light of the 1980 Democratic platform which explicitly recognizes Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and urges that the U.S. embassy be moved there from Tel Aviv. Within one short week of agreeing, in writing, to run on this platform, Jimmy Carter acted precisely opposite to this clear provision." Reagan termed this a sign of "confusion of hypocrisy."

(Carter, in his written message to the delegates at the Democratic national convention, did not endorse the platform plank calling for moving the embassy to Jerusalem. His reference to Jerusalem in the message was that "it has been our policy that Jerusalem should remain forever undivided with free access to the holy places for people of all faiths." He also said that "it has been and must remain our policy that the ultimate status of Jerusalem should be a matter of negotiations between the parties.")

Anderson said he agreed with Secretary of State Edmund Muskie's sharp criticism of the resolution that it was "unbalanced." But if this was so, Anderson asked "why did the Carter administration not veto it? The demand that countries move their embassies from Jerusalem is an invasion of Israel's sovereignty. The state department's claim that the resolution is not binding overlooks the fact that this resolution calls for specific actions against Israel which may presage the imposition of economic and political sanctions."

Kennedy said he took "the strongest possible exception" to the resolution. "It is unacceptable to refer to Jerusalem as 'Palestinian and other Arab territories occupied' by Israel . . . This resolution is a one-sided, punitive, irresponsible action which disregards ... Resolution 242, ignores past Arab abuses in Jerusalem, and undercuts negotiations for peace in the Middle East. I continue to believe that the United States should forcefully oppose growing international efforts to isolate and condemn Israel."

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Moncton Jews to open nursery school for children

By SUSAN LAZARUS

This one of a series on Jews in The Maritimes

MONCTON, N.B. — This month, the Jewish community here will see a long-time dream become a reality.

The Jews of Moncton are starting a pre-school program in which Jewish pre-kindergarten children will meet together daily under the direction of an experienced nursery school teacher. The six children thus far enrolled (hopefully another 10 youngsters will be registered next year) will have the opportunity to be with other Jewish children and learn about Shabbat, the holidays as well as other facets of Jewish life.

Along with Jewish-oriented programming, a regular nursery school curriculum from art to music to sports will be emphasized.

The fact that the Jews of Moncton were tenacious enough to overcome all the problems of beginning a nursery school (a teacher had to be hired from Montreal, funds are limited and Jewishly oriented materials are all but unavailable in the area) reflects this community's ardent commitment to a meaningful Jewish life.

Moncton's Jewish community is not large. With only about 100 families, they are for the most part young and middleclass. There is one synagogue, the Orthodox Tiferes Israel and, as in other Maritimes communities, the centre of Jewish life here is through the congregation.

After the tragic death of their previous rabbi, last summer, the community has a new spiritual leader, a Lubavitcher, U.S.-born Rabbi Philip Lefkowitz, who has already proved a strong and dynamic force in both the general and Jewish community.

There is one interesting phenomenon here. Whereas assimilation and intermarriage are tremendous problems, as in other small Jewish centres, many Moncton Jews have chosen a middle road.

Not willing to abandon Jewish life totally, marrying a converted partner has proved a solution for many to the problem of the lack of Jewish mates.

"Unofficially, I would say there is a 15% conversion rate here," noted one young Moncton Jew. In fact, at a recent meeting of parents interested in the pre-school, it was pointed out that of five women in the room, four were converts to Judaism; the fifth woman, born Jewish, was a visitor from out of town.

The Moncton community is actively fighting for more cultural programs, kosher meat services, better Jewish education, and anything else that would improve the quality of Jewish life here. This past year, for the first time, the Atlantic Jewish Council held its annual meeting in Moncton. It was, according to many who attended, the most successful council meeting ever held, with more than 100 Maritime Jews participating.

For Joel Attis, growing up as a Jew in a small town was not a tremendous problem.

Despite the fact he was most often the only Jewish child in his class, and that even today many of his friends and colleagues are gentile, the 28-year-old bachelor lawyer has retained a strong commitment to Jewish life. He credits his parents and his strong Jewish home life for his continuing sense of responsibility towards the community.

"Although, I am quite unobservant, there is a strong historical, traditional feeling within me," Attis noted. "This feeling was handed down from my parents."

Attis is head of the local B'nai B'rith, an organization which he says has become quite active during its three years in Moncton. Although he noted that "it has been somewhat of an effort to get people to join," BB has been rapidly gaining in popularity, and a recent kosher dinner dance was "superbly successful."

Like other Jews living in small communities, Attis has to deal with the problem of non-Jewish dating. He freely admits that his social life is mainly non-Jewish, but insists, as do many others, that "never, never will I allow myself to fall in love with a non-Jewish girl."

When I am talking to a Jewish girl," he reflected, "I just feel so good about the fact she is Jewish and can relate to what I think about and am concerned about."

Although Attis is not an active synagogue goer, he is most concerned about the effect on the community if the synagogue cannot retain its importance in the future.

"I would say teaching the young student about Judaism is our highest priority," he said. "If religiosity ultimately fades away, what will the effect be on a small community such as ours? The effect will be devastating."

Unlike most of the Fredericton community, many of the Jews of Moncton feel it is the responsibility of national Jewish organizations and the Jews living in larger centres to ensure the viability of the smaller centres.

The community has been vocal in its desire to have a system whereby meat would be locally slaughtered by a shochet and made available at reasonable cost to those wishing it. One local community member, who owns a non-kosher meat market, has volunteered a section of his abattoir for kosher meat.

The lack of necessary funds has, thus far, prevented the kosher meat service from becoming a reality.

For Jewish children in the Maritimes, a day school education is only a dream.

Moncton rabbi earns respect

MONCTON — Walking along the streets of this small New Brunswick city, Rabbi Philip Lefkowitz makes heads turn.

Not often do residents here have the opportunity to see a huge (at least 6-foot-4, 260 pound) bearded, black-hatted typical Lubavitcher in these parts.

When he speaks, it is pure New York dialect in as foreign a language in the Maritimes as the English accent of a British nobleman would be.

Lefkowitz, the rebbitzen Linda and their three strapping young sons have also made quite an impression on the Jewish community.

Hired last year from New York after the tragic death of the previous rabbi, who was killed in an auto crash, Lefkowitz seems to have successfully (at least so far) been able to draw the fine line between the respect due him as the spiritual leader and someone many in the community consider a personal friend as well as a rabbi.

There have been a few problems. There is a fraction within the Jewish community who seem to feel that the rabbi is too visible, too noticeably Jewish to fit comfortably into their image of what a rabbi in an overwhelmingly non-Jewish city should be. On the whole, however, the rabbi has been positively accepted, especially by the young people.

Lefkowtiz and his family have, in their short time in Moncton, made themselves an integral part of the Jewish community.

His home is open at almost all times, but especially Shabbat for conversation and beverage. He is a paradox of street toughness and Orthodox Jewish gentleness, and above all, he understands the value of public relations.

Among other things, the local TV cable station televised a mock seder last Passover which the rabbi led at an Anglican church and he has also spoken publicly to gentile students about Judaism.

"Rabbi Lefkowtiz is different from anyone we have been used to," noted one community member. "But he has been a positive influence.

"I am very glad he is with us."

Rabbi Philip Lefkowitz

Congress voices concerns

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Cotler told MacGuigan also of the great concern Canadian Jews have about the worldwide attempt to "delegitimize" Israel, particularly at the United Nations. This, Cotler declared, is new form of anti-Jewishness on the international scene, brought about under the "Zionism is racism" label.

In his report to the CJC officers on the women's conference in Copenhagen, Cotler said he was "impressed by the professionalism" of the Arab lobby which, he said, came well prepared to do its job of defaming Israel. Arab strategy, he said, is to show Israel as the oppressor and the Arabs as the sole defenders of human rights.

The CJC meeting approved the formation of a law and social action committee, under the chairmanship of Prof. Fred Zeman, of Toronto, a specialist in poverty law. The committee has submitted a brief to a House of Commons committee studying the problems of the disabled and handicapped and will appear also before committees dealing with the status of women and the poor and the elderly.

Vets told about Israel's role

NEW ORLEANS — Citing the importance of Israel to America's strategic position in the Middle East, Harris B. Stone, national commander of the Jewish War Veterans of the US, called for the United States to re-evaluate its role in the "OPEC-controlled United Nations."

Speaking at the JWV's 85th annual national convention here, Stone said a strong Israel is essential to U.S. interests in the Mediterranean Sea and Indian Ocean," especially in light of the growing Soviet menace to both areas.

"Abstentions by the United States on OPEC-controlled UN votes censuring Israel give comfort to international terrorists sworn to destroy Israel," declared Stone.

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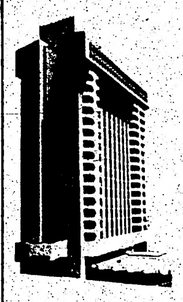

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Boldly to the sea

Israel's bold plan to harness the waters of the Mediterranean and build a descending waterway to the Dead Sea is an ingenious and creative one.

The conduit which would be dug on the Gaza coastline would wend its way over Israel's topography and terminate on the lowest spot on earth.

The difference in elevation between sea level and the Dead Sea would permit the installation of hydroelectric generators at certain key junctures along the canal.

Defenders of the project estimate that the new power thus made available will save Israel almost a billion dollars in energy costs.

Predictably, the habitually bellicose Arab regimes are sending out waves of venom towards Israel and warning of dire consequences should the canal project be initiated.

Inhabitants of the Gaza region have already asserted their proprietary rights over the Mediterranean littoral and insist that Israel can do nothing without consulting them.

The Jordanians are expected to oppose the waterway because of an alleged change in the level of the Dead Sea which might conceivably affect their industrial plants at the eastern end of the sea.

Hydrological engineers who have studied the Israeli proposal indicate that no damage to the ecology will result from the venture. In fact all residents of Israel — Jews and Arabs — will benefit from the resource windfall that will result from increased power supplies.

The obstructionism of Arab governments, however aggressively phrased, will not deter Israel from protecting her own self-interest.

There has not been an Israeli project which the Arabs, for one reason or another, have not tried to block. The principle which animates their attitude is simple: if the idea will benefit Israel, they are opposed to it.

In 1964, when Israel launched its National Water Carrier, an aqueduct-like network of conduits which brought sweet water from the Galilee to the parched Negev region, the Arab nations mounted the rhetorical barricades promising Armageddon if the Israelis persisted in the project.

The National Water Carrier was built despite the truculence of Israel's adversaries.

The canal from the Mediterranean will also be built and it will lighten the load of Israel's onerous economic burdens.

Positive self-image

The major problem facing Jews in Israel, according to Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz, is one of self-identity. The way this eminent Talmudist-philosopher defines the crisis is directly applicable to Diaspora Jews as well.

Speaking to more than 2,000 people recently in Jerusalem's Jeshurun congregation, the man who is single-handedly editing the massive Babylonian Talmud said: "It is better to be a Jew because I like it rather than because others dislike it." The scholarly rabbi does not agree with those who point to anti-semitism as the reason for Jewish survival.

Although the major part of his speech was concerned with Israeli problems (he believes that Jews have the right to settle anywhere and everywhere in Eretz Israel), Rabbi Steinsaltz addressed himself to specific Diaspora issues as well.

His major criticism was that North American Jews are primarily passive participants in Judaism. Steinsaltz elaborated by saying that participation does not mean activity in Sunday morning breakfasts and other extraneous social endeavors.

Rabbis on this continent are not challenging their congregants enough, according to the Jerusalem sage. They must continually ask their members what they have learned about being Jewish on a daily basis. But the question itself involves "the adventure of study, prayer and mitzvot."

One of Rabbi Steinsaltz' most acerbic criticisms was reserved, however, for ostensibly Orthodox Jews for "suffering too much from kosher-centred Judaism in which small parts of Judaism are made greater than they are." For Steinsaltz this kind of Judaism cannot sustain itself for very long.

Preoccupation with levels of kosher certification (a syndrome well known in Israel and in North America) becomes, in the Steinsaltz perspective a "boring shell and a plaything which would eventually disapear."

"Too many Jews only want to deal with the kitchen," he said, "but there are other rooms in the house as well."

What is remarkable in the rabbi's view is the fact that he is a meticulously observant Orthodox Jew whose piety and erudition are encouraged by all branches of organized Jewish life. For a man of this calibre to challenge the unidimensional thrust of some of his friends is an important event.

Diary of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

The world held its breath as U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat met at Camp David, Maryland, on Sept. 5, 1978. Signed 12 days later was a framework for peace in the Middle East.

But chagrin — initially that of hostile Arab states, the PLO and the Soviets — gradually overwhelmed that instant of euphoria for Israel. Since then, a variety of issues has turned the proposed consummation of peace into a worldwide contest, whose undoubted winner to date is Anwar Sadat.

Among the results of the Yom Kippur War of 1973 were: a surge of Arab and Egyptian confidence; the end of Israel's widely perceived defence invincibility; and the massive flow of U.S. influence into the area, highlighted by President Ricard Nixon's trip to Cairo in June, 1974.

Henry Kissinger's shuttle diplomacy won: the rescue of the Egyptian third army during the hostilities; an Israeli-Egyptian armistice in November, 73; and the return of Sinai oil fields to Egypt for Sadat's pledge that "conflict would be resolved not by military force but by peaceful means," in September, 1975.

Sadat gained wide ovation in the U.S. during a state visit to the White House in the fall of '75 for his pledge to seek peace. But at the same time, Egypt gave unequivocal support to the UN's infamous "Zionism is racism" resolution.

Begin, one year after being elected leader of Israel in the wake of revelations of widespread corruption spawned in the course of the previous party's 29-year rule, extended Sadat a formal invitation to address the Knesset. The November 1977 event sparked negotiations, which bogged down in less than a month. Sadat broke them off altogether in January 78, recalling his delegates, accusing Begin of "arrogant expansionism," and unleashing a venomous spate of anti-semitic articles in the Egyptian press.

Military buildups on both sides prompted Carter in August to call the Camp David summit. What was signed on Sept. 17 was an agreement to work out a proper peace treaty in three months and to exchange ambassadors within a year.

For this diplomatic recognition by its chief antagonist, a war-weary Israel agreed to replace its authority in the West Bank and Gaza with an elected self-governing body and to withdraw all its military and civilian personnel from the Sinai.

Egyptian demands to link West Bank self-government with any recognition of Israel, among other differences, disrupted negotiations in less than a month. Carter's intervention once more got things going. The peace treaty was signed after six, not three months. Ambassadors were exchanged more than 1½ years later.

Initial attempts by the Arabs to isolate Sadat for "intransigence" to the Arab cause backfired, as massive U.S. aid largely replaced Saudi support. An infusion of U.S. arms made Egypt's military the most powerful in the Moslem world, particularly after the downfall of the Shah of Iran.

Sadat's stock continued to rise — the most optimistic objective of his '73 attack on Israel, the Sinai, came falling piece by piece into his hands.

At the same time, dissension from within and without, unparalleled inflation, hostile isolation and increasing conflicts with its prime ally beset Israel.

Sadat is pressing to another Camp David summit after the U.S. presidential elections to settle the issue of Jerusalem and the West Bank. Already depleted of concessions, it is something that Israel would not look forward to.

Agricultural minister Sharon's vision: millions of Jews in West Bank and Gaza

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

He is indubitably Israel's most controversial politician — a portly, gruff, opinionated military hero who inspires admiration or loathing but rarely indifference among his followers and detractors.

No wallflower, he says what he means and means what he says, a quality in short supply anywhere in the world.

As minister of agriculture, Ariel (Arik) Sharon is Israel's most ardent advocate of an aggressive settlement policy in the occupied territories. In a cabinet dominated by militant nationalists, Sharon is probably the king of hardliners, Gush Emunim's most vigorous supporter.

At a time when Israel is increasingly the object of international criticism for its policies in the occupied areas, Sharon battles for ideals and ideas that even many of his countrymen find unpalatable.

"I'm not in the cabinet just to enjoy being a minister," he told an interviewer recently. "I mean, its good to be a minister, but that's not the reason I'm in the government. I know exactly what I want to do, I know exactly. I've got determination, and the things that I'm doing are in the centre of a debate, a national, historic debate. I'm not giving up, you have to know that."

Sharon, who heads a Knesset settlement committee, does indeed push hard and indefatigably for his views.

The 52-year-old Sabra, son of Russian immigrants, hews to a grand vision that millions of Jews will one day live on the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip. He is not a religious man, but Sharon firmly believes that Jews have a God-given right to settle the region captured by the Israeli army in the Six Day War.

As he has put it: "These settlements are stronger than any written (peace) agreement. As long as they are built, a Palestinian state will not be established in this area. There is already a Palestinian state. Jordan is a Palestinian state. It was part of Palestine until 1922, the first partition. The majority of the population there are Palestinian Arabs."

Critics argue that Sharon is spouting pipedreams when he imagines that the West Bank and Gaza Strip will attract millions of settlers. Aliya, they contend, is down. And very few Jews, including religiously or nationally committed ones, would stake their future in territories whose status is as yet undefined.

Moreover, they add, Israel would lose risking its Jewish and democratic character if it were to incorporate the West Bank and Gaza Strip, with its one million plus Arabs, into its own territory.

Sharon is unconcerned by such arguments, and in scores of cabinet meetings he has declared that Israel should set up settlements in even densely populated Arab areas. When Ezer Weizman was minister of defence, he and Sharon would often clash on this issue.

Though Menachem Begin's government has sometimes restrained its pro-settlement zealousness in deference to U.S. opinion, Sharon and his allies have managed to thwart the majority of these efforts by cabinet moderates. At a recent press conference in Tel Aviv, Sharon asserted that the last two years have been the best in the history of Zionism insofar as settlement activity is concerned.

Sharon said that he, as the minister responsible for settlements, had submitted a plan to Begin for the creation of 85 outposts in Judea and Samaria, the Jordan Rift, the Arava and the Galilee. All but 10, he disclosed, have already been built.

In the Gaza Strip, Sharon has persuaded the cabinet to build a number of settlements southwest of Khan Yunis near the Rafiah salient. He feels that a strong Israeli presence is needed there before an agreement is signed with Egypt on autonomy for Gaza Arabs. Peace Now, the main arm of Israel's anti-settlements movement, has condemned the Gaza plan, saying the government would waste millions of Israeli pounds "creating more Jewish ghettos."

In pursuit of his dreams, Sharon has taken his case to Jews in the U.S. In an address to Orthodox Jews in New York, Sharon called upon the assembled leaders to "send groups to Judea and Samaria, even temporarily, as a symbol."

During his trip, Sharon took swipes at the Carter administration's Middle East policy, thereby living up to his reputation as an intemperate gadfly. He said he was convinced that the U.S. was seeking the creation of a Palestinian state, and he attacked in no uncertain terms the decision by the U.S. at the United Nations (later revoked) to denounce the building of Israeli settlements.

Sharon embarrassed his hosts when he castigated them for not having "stood up" to the administration's anti-Israel vote at the UN. "Jewish silence will bring disaster upon the Jewish people and upon Israel," he said, expressing "shock" that 100,000 American Jews had not demonstrated in front of the White House following the UN vote.

In response, Jewish leaders asked Sharon not to interfere in American domestic politics. Albert Vorspan, vice-president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, spoke for his colleagues when he said: "I found minister Sharon's remarks offensive, a total misstatement of reality."

Rejecting criticism that he had behaved like a bull in a china shop, Sharon retorted by saying that he had a right to make demands on U.S. Jewry. "We have a thousand problems (in Israel) and we have a right to go to the Jews and demand partnership."

With his penchant for foot-in-the-mouth utterances, Sharon has offended not only Jews in the U.S., but his fellow ministers as well.

In fact, Sharon has been involved in verbal spats with Begin himself, Industry Minister Gideon Patt and Deputy Prime Minister Simcha Erlich, prompting them to call him "dangerous," "authoritarian" and "anti-democratic."

Sharon's most recent clash with Begin occurred a couple of weeks ago at a cabinet meeting. Sharon, still upset that Begin had not appointed him minister of defence after Ezer Weizman's abrupt resignation enraged the Prime Minister and acting defence minister by accusing him of having taken "most important decisions on defence matters in a facile and off-hand fashion."

Sharon reportedly tried to intimidate Begin into giving him the post, whereupon the usually placid Begin turned white and advised the minister of agriculture not to forget that Israel was a democracy. "Thankfully, we are not living in George Orwell's 1984," Begin said. Sharon then bellowed: "Don't you dare talk to me in that fashion!"

It was not the first time the ex-general had cast aspersions on Begin's ability. In June, Sharon told Begin to his face that he was "a charlatan" who lacks awareness of "Israel's security problems," and he described Begin's planned cabinet reshuffle as "payment of harlot's hire."

Incensed by the outburst, Begin, referring to a comment made earlier by Simcha Erlich, said he would not be surprised if Sharon "put a ring of tanks around the prime minister's office" if he were appointed minister of defence. Begin later apologized for this remark, but he remained adamant in his belief that Sharon should not be defence minister. Begin will not appoint Sharon because of the exigencies of coalition politics (Liberal Party members covet the job), and because of Sharon's demonstrated inability to work with others.

No sooner had the dust from this incident settled than Sharon and Erlich were at each others' throats. Erlich complained that Sharon had leaked "slanderous insinuations" about him. But, in his heart of hearts, Erlich probably knew that the attack was imminent.

At the root of it all was politics.

In 1973, Sharon resigned his army commission in favor of a career in politics. During the Yom Kippur War, he had achieved hero status by commanding a force that crossed the Suez Canal and thereby changed the course of that three-week conflict. In the aftermath of the war, Sharon was instrumental in forming the Likud coalition. He left politics soon after, disillusioned by the process.

Arik Sharon [IPPA photo]

In 1977, he re-emerged, winning two Knesset seats on an independent Shlomzion ticket. Erlich, leader of the Liberal Party, tried to block Sharon's re-entry into Likud. Sharon never forgot the slight. Neither did he forget, three years later, Erlich's machinations to deny him the ministry of defence.

Exacerbating it all was Erlich's accusation that Sharon, if he had the power, would establish concentration camps for his political opponents. "Arik Sharon," Erlich told the Jerusalem Post, "is one of the politicians in Israel whom I fear as a danger to the state. Sometimes I tremble at what he might do if he had the chance."

In defence of his views, Sharon has also quarreled with Industry Minister Gideon Patt. One exchange between them, on the future of the autonomy talks, was so fierce that it was not recorded by the cabinet stenographer.

In Knesset debates, Sharon has been anything but a gentleman. Following a verbal duel with MK Pessach Grupper over the state of Israel's agriculture, Sharon turned to a committee chairman and asked: "Maybe you can shut the mouth of this chatterbox?"

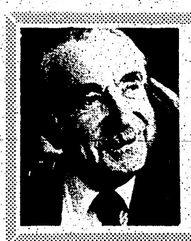
After Labor MK Haim Bar-Lev, a former chief of staff, commented that last May's Arab attack on Jewish yeshiva students in Hebron was partly of their own making, Sharon became livid. He accused Bar-Lev of "collaboration with Arabs who hate Jews." Bar-Lev, in turn, said Sharon was guilty of "wicked distortion and demagoguery."

Earlier, after Sharon had implied that some Israeli TV newsmen were "terrorists" and "saboteurs," the Jerusalem Post observed in an editorial that he "typifies the worst aspects of the political climate under the Likud . . . in his contempt for the rule of law, his blithe indifference to the imperatives of his office, his insulting disdain for his cabinet brethren, and those who disagree with him."

Why, in the face of it all this criticism, does Begin tolerate Sharon? Why doesn't he turf him out of the cabinet?

Begin admires Sharon's undoubted military capabilities, notwithstanding his reluctance to hand over the ministry of defence to him. And Sharon, as one observer has pointed out, is a convenient whipping boy for Begin's hawkish policies. Last, but not least, Begin's shaky coalition needs Sharon's political support. If Sharon were to leave the government, the coalition might well collapse. So Sharon, in effect, is all but free to vent his spleen.

Uncle Eliezer's boys are back



By J. B. SALSBERG

Most honorable friends — things are back to normal in this envied corner of the paper. Uncle Eliezer and his illustrious friends of the renowned band of Thursday night steam bath regulars are at my door again.

Yes, they are back at their old pastime of prodding the writer of this intrepid column to champion all that is good, proper and just. They are also forever insisting that we disturb placid communal atmospheres; that we raise questions when explanations are not forthcoming and that we wave the battle standards when kind words fail.

In fact I often gain the impression that uncle Eliezer and his steam bath Sanhedrin believe that this column exists chiefly to serve as their sounding board. But when a battle gets under way they enjoy the protection of their anonymity while I face the slings that fly in my direction. But they mean well at all times and I find it difficult to resist their petitions.

There is no other illustration of their relationship with me than the conception and birth of today's column.

When uncle Eliezer phoned to ask whether he and his senior advisors, Mendle (who knows how to read between the lines) and Sam (the third highest ranking member of the group) could pay me a visit, I knew that I was about to go through a prodding exercise. But I did, of course, what I always do in such circumstances; I encouraged them to come and come they did and in quick order, too.

I studied their faces as they entered and concluded that what was bothering them was relatively mild in nature. They didn't appear sullen, there was no alarm in their eyes and they showed no eagerness to go into battle. But they did seem concerned; but what about?

When I offered my guests a cold drink they endorsed, instead, Uncle Eliezer's preference for hot tea and lemon. (My uncle is a firm believer in his father's prescription for a cooling effect on an oppressively hot day: boiling hot tea and lemon, and more of the same.) So out came the samovar, the lemon and the glasses.

This was followed by about two hours of presentation of their troubling concerns, my counter-arguments and, finally, with my capitulation after gaining some minor considerations from them.

In truth I must say that I pleaded with them to forget it all. It wasn't, I argue, the most troubling of issues. Besides it was erev Rosh Hashanah when we should forgive and forget. But they were adamant and I gave in, of course.

So here, in the most abbraviated form, is the truthful presentation of their complaints.

First, they fear that the new president of Congress may have created a mistaken image of our Canadian Jewish community by his interview in the Jerusalem Post. Mendle, who presented the case, read the entire interview with Prof. Irwin Cotler, as it appeared in the international edition of the Jerusalem Post (Aug. 10-16).

My visitors agreed that it was good that our Congress president was interviewed and that his point of view, together with his picture, was prominently featured in that widely read Israeli publication. Furthermore, they approve of most of what he had to say to Judy Siegel, the Post interviewer. But they were perturbed by the impression that the interview will have on all English-speaking Jews everywhere with regards to the leadership character of Canada's Jewish community.

The Post story quotes Prof. Cotler as saying that he was chosen president in a "real election, including primaries." What, my uncle asked, will the Jews of the U.S., Great Britain, Australia and other English-speaking countries conclude? Did we never have "real elections" before? If not, what did we have? And Mendle chimed in by asking what kind of "primaries" did we have anyway?

But what really upset my visitors was the claim of the interviewer that Prof. Cotler is "the first non-businessman to head the CJC" (Can. Jewish Congress). Who gave Ms. Siegel such an erroneous bit of information? Why, Mendle asked, should Jews elsewhere think that only businessmen headed Congress until now?

And uncle Eliezer asked: Was Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, Cotler's predecessor, a businessman? Was Sydney M. Harris, Rabbi Plaut's predecessor, a hard working court lawyer and now a judge, a businessman? Was Sol Kanee, Judge Harris' predecessor, a lawyer cum business executive, only a businessman? Was Monroe Abbey, a working lawyer and Mr. Kanee's predecessor, a businessman?

Was the unforgettable Michael Garber, a learned scholar and jurist, also a businessman?

Yes, Sam Bronfman, the long-time president of Congress, was indeed a businessman. But, oddly enough, the trade union bloc in Congress (there was such a bloc years ago) and the then decisive Labor-Zionist block in Congress always supported the late Sam Bronfman's candidacy.

My visitors insisted that I underline the fact that they are not critical of President Cotler, indeed they wish him well and hope that he will receive every support in his new position. All, they say, that they wanted was to keep the record straight and to defend the good record of Canadian Jewry among the English-speaking Jews of the world.

(Now, I suppose, that uncle Eliezer's group will retreat behind a wall of anonymity while I, poor me, will be the target for attack, Farfallen!)

PRO & CON

Issue of Diaspora Jews criticizing Israel resurfaces with open letter signed by 90

Should Jews in the Diaspora criticize Israeli policies in public?

The question, long a contentious one, arose again recently when 90 prominent Jews signed an open letter critical of Israel. The signatories denounced "extremism" in the Israeli government and advocated territorial compromise on the status of the occupied West Bank.

The letter was initiated by Leonard Fein, a Brandeis University professor and editor of Moment Magazine. Among the signers was Theodore Mann, former chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

Anthony Lewis, New York Times columnist, believes Jews — particularly those in the U.S. — should voice their opinions in public rather than in private.

Chaim Bermant, who writes a weekly column for the Jewish Chronicle of London, defends Britain's chief rabbi, Immanuel Jakobovits, for the criticism he leveled against the current Israeli government. Bermant is also a well known author.

The Canadian Jewish Outlook, in an editorial, says "efforts to muzzle criticism will not, and cannot succeed."

Three writers take opposite points of view.

Howard Adelson, a U.S. academic, is harshly critical of Jews who go public with their comments. He writes in The Jewish Press of New York.

Julius Hayman, editor of The Jewish Standard of Toronto, is wary of public criticism.

A group of rabbis, in a letter to The New York Times, advises U.S. Jews to aim their arrows in different directions.

[Research of this feature is by Sheldon Kirshner.]

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Criticism of Israel by Chief Rabbi called "timely"

By CHAIM BERMANT:

I am sorry that Greville Janner felt compelled to rebuke the Chief Rabbi for his criticism of Israel. If he himself hasn't the courage to speak out against policies which are morally indefensible and politically insane, he should at least maintain a respectful silence in the presence of someone who has.

The Chief Rabbi's intervention is particularly timely not only because an element of hysteria has entered into the direction of Israel's policies, but because there has been a concerned attempt to stifle all intelligent debate on these policies in the Jewish world.

Meir Rosenne, Israel's ambassador to France, has virtually denounced as traitors a Peace Now delegation which has been touring Jewish communities, while both the foreign ministry in Jerusalem and the Israel embassy in The Hague have condemned the Dutch Zionist Association for reserving the right to criticize Israel.

But such attacks are directed only against those calling for more liberal attitudes. Speakers from the Gush Emunim and the Greater Israel Movement, most of them fiercely critical of Mr. Begin, have been coming and going without a word of reproof from anyone in authority, and are usually feted as heroes by some of our so-called Zionists.

Yet those of us who are still trying to assert the old decencies which once inspired Zionism, the Zionism of Gordon and Ahad Ha'am, of Weizmann and Sharett, are constantly and callously being urged to remain silent in the face of duplicity and oppression.

I have met many people in leading positions in the community who share my views, but who feel that, because of their very position, they can only voice their reservations in private. They are wasting their time and, I would say, they are abusing their positions. If they are leaders they should lead, as Chief Rabbi Jakobovits has done — on this and on other occasions.

I wish that our Zionists were a little more like the Dutch Zionists, and that the Board of Deputies, which claims to be the representative institution of British Jewry, would attempt to make some utterance which might represent the community's sense of disquiet over what is happening in the West Bank. Even in America, whose Jewish organizations have tended to back Mr. Begin well beyond the limits of reason, hitherto quiescent voices are regretting their earlier silence and are beginning to send up an audible murmur; but in this country it would seem that our communal organizations are content to assume the role of a claque, and whatever is done in Israel, no matter how misguided or ill-conceived it may be, they can only say Amen.

As a result, the Chief Rabbi has had to assume the thankless task of speaking for the silent majority, and I feel that he has risen to the occasion as superbly as when he rallied the community to the side of Israel on the eve of the Six Day War, except that it is easier to rouse a people to an external danger than to a danger that lies within.

Mr. Begin can discount some of the denunciations from the outside world because so many of them are hypocritical, and there are countries, even in Western Europe, which would sell their soul, and Israel into the bargain — and, indeed, are trying avidly to do so — for a barrel of oil. He cannot treat Jewish criticism in the same way, especially where he cannot question the credentials or commitments of the critic.

Dr. Jakobovits is not a party politician seeking party advantage; he is not an assimilated Jew; he is not a self-hating Jew; he is a Jewish Jew seeking to defend Jewish values which are daily being violated — and which are being violated, moreover, in the name of Heaven . . .

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Public silence means support for status quo

By ANTHONY LEWIS

Should American Jews speak out when they believe that Israeli government policies endanger the future of Israel? The question arouses deep feeling, and the answer may have profound consequences.

The prevailing view in the diverse Jewish community has been that there should be no public disagreement on security matters: what the Israeli government decides should be accepted. A reason often given for this view was forcefully expressed in a letter to The New York Times by Rabbi Sol Roth of Miami Beach, president of the Rabbinical Council of America.

"For American Jews to exercise the right of offering advice and then to assign to Israel the risks involved if that advice is taken," Rabbi Roth said, "is unconscionable."

Criticism of ordinary Israeli policy can be beneficial if constructive, Rabbi Roth said. "But the right to dissent may not be demanded in areas which pertain to Israeli's security and survival."

The letter regretted that 90 American Jews "recently saw fit to publicize their opposition to Israel's settlement policies." They had a right to disagree, Rabbi Roth wrote, "and to express their disagreement in the privacy of the (Israeli) prime minister's office" — but not in the newspapers. He called for "a moratorium on public media debate."

There is indeed a moral problem in offering advice to other people on matters related to their survival. Anyone who does not bear the risks himself should be conscious of that fact — and eschew easy criticism.

But the view argued by Rabbi Roth rests on an unarticulated premise. It is that outsiders who have serious concerns about the consequences of Israeli policy — the consequences for Israel's safety — are morally correct to remain silent. And that premise is false.

Public silence is not neutral. It supports the policy status quo. If the policy turns out to be disastrous, those who swallowed their concerns about it — who by their public silence gave the appearance of accepting it — will surely not be free of responsibility.

The responsibility of silence is especially weighty in this case, because the American Jewish community is so important to Israel. Its financial contributions are vital. Its opinion affects American government attitudes. And the American community is a reservoir of legitimacy for the policy of any Israeli government.

Consider in those terms the particular issue mentioned by Rabbi Roth: the Begin government's policy of planting settlements in the occupied West Bank. Though the policy is rooted in ideology, and though many Israeli military experts consider the settlements a burden, the government usually claims that they have a security purpose.

In the American Jewish community, many leaders privately oppose the settlements. They know from their visits to Israel that some of the most respected figures there, quite apart from political interests, are increasingly worried about the effects of the policy.

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"Traitors" using freedom of speech to weaken Israel

By PROF. HOWARD ADELSON:

Treason is perhaps too harsh a word to be used lightly within the Jewish community. Nevertheless, the definition given in American law for this dastardly crime seems to fit what we shall describe. It is clear that Jewry, not simply Israel, is in a state of perpetual war against the antisemites. Those who give aid and comfort to the enemies of Israel and world Jewry are therefore guilty of a heinous offense which American law defines as treason.

True Zionists have always believed in freedom of expression. We fought valiantly against any coercive restrictions from any source. For any Zionist the administrative ordinances of the mandatory regime in the Holy Land were anathema precisely because they restricted freedom of expression. The fact that those laws were retained by the Labor governments of Israel and have been occasionally applied by Israeli governments has not made them more palatable. The very best thing that could be done about laws that restrict freedom is to repeal them.

With freedom of speech, however, comes responsibility. Israel is in a constant state of warfare and siege. Anyone who utilizes his rights merely for the purpose of weakening the determination of the Israeli people and the power of the Israeli government is guilty of a crime against the Jewish people. Those like Leonard Fein and his cohorts who pour out a torrent of hate against the Israeli government for not giving up even more to the Arabs have clearly played into the hands of the enemies of Jewry.

There is a monumental difference between appealing to an Israeli government to take firmer positions in dealing with its opponents and trying to weaken the resolve of the Israelis not to yield too much. Those of us who experienced the long years of opposition while the Labor Alignment governed the state always fought for a stronger and greater Israel. Not a single occasion can be cited when our loyalty to the State of Israel and to its greatness could be called into question. In moments of stress, in fact the responsible opposition closed ranks with the government to present an iron front against the enemy. That was particularly true in 1967 and in 1973-4. Opposition to what was regarded as the passive quality of the Israeli government never led the members of the Likud to give aid and comfort to the enemies of Israel. The struggle was not designed to strengthen the enemies but to provide a source of support for the Israelis.

Unfortunately this cannot be said of the opposition of people like Fein, Nahum Goldmann and others. These people are determined to weaken Israel and to force it to accept the Arab proposals and to yield to American pressure. To achieve this end they are even prepared to sacrifice American Jewry on the altar of their private ambition. Goldmann and the others tried to create a gulf between Israel and American Jewry. He proposed, as did Henry Kissinger, to destroy whatever capacity American Jewry had for political action. This is not responsible opposition, it verges upon treason to the Jewish people . . .

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Israelis realize peace depends on basic policy shift

THE CANADIAN JEWISH OUTLOOK:

Growing numbers of Israelis from diverse political and socio-economic sectors are coming to the realization that peace depends on a basic shift in the policy of the government of Israel. Moreover the Begin government cannot and will not make the necessary turn. Sensing the growing sentiment of the people of Israel against the Begin policies both at home and in foreign relations, Yekutiel Federman, who is a prominent businessman in Israel, has initiated an "Election Now" campaign. This movement already has a large following.

But again the media in the Canadian Jewish community shun the opinion of such people as Moshe Kol and do not even find the Election Now movement newsworthy enough to report. Instead, the emphasis is put on attempts to define "legitimate" versus "illegitimate" criticism of the policies of Israel.

Efforts to muzzle criticism will not and cannot succeed. Even within the ranks of the Zionist movement the solid front against criticism is breaking down. This was evident at the last annual convention of the Dutch Zionist Organization. At that meeting a resolution was introduced which would have put the clamps on the right to criticize Israeli government policies. This resolution was soundly defeated by a vote of 52 to 16 with four delegates abstaining. In fact, the incoming chairman of the Dutch Zionist Organization, Andrei Boharz, who is known to favour a Palestinian state alongside Israel, declared that he would withdraw his candidacy if the right to criticize Israeli policy was in any way limited.

The Peace Now movement in Israel and the emerging Friends of the Peace Now movement in North America, the Election Now campaign in Israel, the growing demand for a critical view of the policies adopted by the governments of Israel and most especially the Begin government are signs of a shifting tide. It is important to maintain the momentum of this tide. At stake is the existence of the State of Israel, peace in the Middle East and the peace of the world.

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At this moment of crisis it behooves all Jews to strengthen the hand of the Israeli government against foreign pressure. Whether or not one admires Prime Minister Begin or subscribes completely to the views of the Likud is not the issue. This is clearly not the time to indicate to the world and to our enemies that the government of Israel is weak and that foreign pressure should be applied to the Israelis to replace it. American Jewry must call out firmly against these acts of treason.

It is a time to express the repressed anger that is felt by Jews about the crude attempts to weaken Israel. American Jews who feel deeply should write directly to the various presidential candidates and state that they resent the attempt by a few to speak against Israel on their behalf. They should tell the candidates not to believe that American Jewry is turning its back upon Israel. It is supporting Israel against its enemies as never before.

Tell them that their advisors who say that American Jewry is embarrassed by Israel are not telling them the truth and should be replaced by others who do enjoy support among the Jewish communmity at large.

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Let Israelis determine their policy

THE JEWISH STANDARD:

The Jewish community, as a collectivity, is a democracy. There is room among Jews for wide differences of opinion. And it is good that Jews should feel free to express these opinions without diffidence and without the fear that they will be branded as traitors to Israel or, indeed, to the cause of Jewish survival.

But it must be acknowledged that there are many Jews in the Diaspora who, in their criticism of Israel, are arrogating a privilege to themselves which has neither justification nor rationality.

Israel is, in fact, two things. It is the ancestral homeland of the Jewish spirit. It is the country in which Jews may build a Jewish structure which will, indeed, be "a light unto the nations." It will, it may be hoped, be the lodestar which will lead the world to the implementation of the ideals of the patriarchs and the prophets, the ideals which may bring to humanity a higher level of social justice and personal morality. If Israel falls short of its pursuit of these ideals the Jews of the Diaspora, a part of a Jewish peoplehood, have every right to crtiticize.

But Israel is also a state, besieged and beleaguered by a hundred million unfriendly neighbors, threatened by the policy of its friends, a policy being determined by the subservience of the world to the politics of oil. Demands are being made of Israel which have little to do with justice, little to do with Israel's need for security, little to do with an understanding of Israel's precarious position in a world in which morality counts for little and strategic and economic position counts for much.

Well, it may be understandable when non-Jews react unsympathetically to what they see as Israel's stubbornness, Israel's intransigence, Israel's inflexibility. After all, they are not expected to be aware of the danger in which Israel lives. But for Diaspora Jews to take this posture and to criticize Israel for doing what it feels is required to assure its survival, displays an arrogance which we find extremely disturbing.

There is a difference of opinion among Israelis as to whether Israel should or should not make further concessions to Egypt beyond those already made in the Sinai. This is understandable and legitimate. Israelis who disapprove of Israel's government are those who will do the suffering and, if need be, the dying.

But we would suggest that Jews living behind the security of 6,000 miles of land and sea should leave it to the Israelis to determine Israel's foreign policy. After all, if they really want to work effectively for a more compromising policy they have only to move to Israel. They will be accepted immediately as citizens of the state with full rights to vote and criticize.

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American Jews should foster U.S. Mideast policies

THE NEW YORK TIMES:

The pages of The Times are beginning to look like the Knesset Record. American Jews are giving news conferences, signing statements and paying for advertisements criticizing the Israeli government's foreign and security policies from different ideological directions.

Prominent people in organized Jewish life express their opposition to the Begin government's "extremist" policies in the occupied territories while Orthodox rabbis argue that Mr. Begin has given away too much and is not extreme enough.

We do not contest the right of these signers to express themselves in any way they choose. We do not raise a question about the proper role of American Jews. Is it to involve themselves with Israel's policy-making process, or to play their part as Americans and as Jews in the American democratic process? We think it is the latter.

We, as Americans and Jews, are or should be primarily concerned with Israel's security in the context of United States foreign policy.

We recognize that Israel's security represents only one component of an American foreign policy that must seek to build satisfactory relationships with other key nations in the Middle East. But we believe that under the threat of the Arab oil weapon, the pressure of powerful economic interests and the influence of fashionable ideologies U.S. foreign policy has tilted too far to accommodate countries and forces that continue to voice unrelenting hostility to Israel's very existence. It is to this problem that we believe American Jews must give their undivided attention.

The kinds of issues to which American Jews should address themselves today are President Carter's promise of advanced tanks to King Hussein without getting an iota of co-operation from the king with the Camp David peace process; the administration's signals that it intends to approve advanced equipment for Saudi Arabia's F-15 fighter planes, which can be used offensively against Israel and which the President had committed himself to Congress not to supply, and the decision to have America's representative in the United Nations abstain rather than vote against a resolution that all but asked Israel to withdraw from East Jerusalem and that would, if implemented, lead to a redivided city.

We are not suggesting that the signers of recent statements on Israeli policy are not concerned about these problems, or that they should not hold and appropriately express views about Israel's actions. But we strongly feel that they have misplaced the emphasis among their concerns, to the point where they are playing the wrong role in the wrong place.

Let Israel take care of its policy-making through its democratic process. Let us do our job in America by helping to foster American policies in the Middle East that undergird the security of Israel in the context of America's national interest, as defined by every President and backed up by every Congress since 1948.

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Executive Vice President, Central Conference of American Rabbis
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Jewish Theological Seminary of America
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Board of Governors
American Jewish Committee

LET'S GET TOGETHER

Egyptian Foreign Affairs Minister Kamel Hassan Aly, left, met with Israeli ambassador to Egypt Eliahu Ben Elissar to discuss prospect of another Egyptian, Israeli and U.S. summit meeting. Proposed by Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, it would be held after the U.S. presidential election, when the American leader might be more forceful in his demands of Israel. [Religious News Service]

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wife of embassy's deputy chief writes

A correction

I would like to thank you for your article on me (The CJN Aug. 7). However, you have mistakenly described me as the wife of the Phillipine ambassador to Canada. Although my husband holds the rank of ambassador, he is the deputy chief of mission in the Phillipine embassy in Ottawa.

For your information, the Phillipine ambassador to Canada is H. E. Ramon V. del Rosario. Please note this correction in your next issue.

Mrs. Liza L. Fernandez
Ottawa

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In complete agreement

Regarding the article "Leaders, Watch What You Say Is Dictum Which Many Ignore," by Rabbi Gunther Plaut, I am in complete agreement with him that this gives fuel to our enemies and G-d only knows they don't need any!

The Jewish people have survived through the ages by sticking together.

With a friend like Dr. Nahum Goldmann, who needs enemies?

United we stand, divided we fall.

Paula Felgelsohn
Toronto

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True objectives

The time has come for Diaspora Jewry to make a decision as to its position vis-a-vis Israel. What is our objective?

We stand divided amongst ourselves on a number of issues. We are committed to the Likud, to the Labor Alignment, to the retention of "liberated" territory, to the return of "occupied" land, to limited Palestinian autonomy, to a Palestinian state.

We seem to have forgotten our great commitment to Israel herself, to her continuing existence, her security, her contribution to a flourishing Jewish culture and national identity.

And, as we raise our voices against ourselves, our enemies continue to win crucial propaganda victories throughout the international forum.

Whether or not we are for the Likud is not the issue. The leaders of the Labor Alignment have shown that their positions on the peace talks and on the Palestinians do not differ greatly from those of the Likud. A change of government will bring no great change of policy.

The issue is neither Likud nor Labor. It is Israel. It is time for both Israel and Diaspora Jewry to re-examine their objectives and commitments and to unite under whichever party holds a mandate to govern. The objectives must be security, peace and justice, and the commitment must be to Israel, the people, the state and not to the party.

To paraphrase Hillel: "If we are not for ourselves, then who will be? And if not now, then when?"

Hopefully, before it is too late.

Robert Elkin
Montreal

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Thanks community

The Jewish Community Centre of Toronto wishes to thank all the families who so generously hosted our guests from Club Hebraica, Caracas, Venezuela, during the week of July 7-14.

All the children who visited Toronto had an experience they will long remember, primarily because the week was so beautifully enriched by the members of the community who opened up their homes, their tables and their hearts to our guests.

Even through the language barrier, the Toronto Jewish community and especially the host families proved that Jews all over the world can communicate.

Monica Auerbach & Staff
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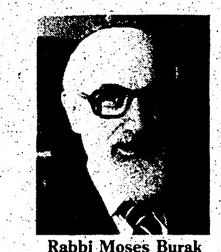
Living Halacha

By RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

Is it possible to have a bris on Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur? Are there times at which one cannot have a bris?



Rabbi Moses Burak

The Torah holds that bris milah is the covenant between Israel and the Eternal. It is to be done on the eighth day of a little boy's life, if the child is in good health. Now, if the eighth day falls on Rosh Hashanah, the bris is on Rosh Hashanah. If the date is Yom Kippur, it takes place on Yom Kippur. If the eighth day is on the Sabbath, the bris is held on Saturday.

But, it takes place on different hours on each of these days. On Rosh Hashanah, for example, it is recommended that the circumcision be carried out just before the blowing of the shofar, so that there be a reference to two great moments in our religious history: (1) the fearlessness of Abraham who was circumcized in advanced age, and (2) the akedas Yitzchok, the binding of Isaac in readiness to offer himself as a sacrifice to the Almighty. Thus it is done in the synagogue.

But if the bris is to be in the home, then it takes place after the services are ended. However, if the home is near the synagogue, then it takes place before the blowing of the shofar, says the Mishneh Berura, Laws of Rosh Hashanah, Chapter 584, note 11.

A bris on Yom Kippur, if it is held in the synagogue, takes place after the reading of the Torah. But, if it must be done in the home, then one puts the Torah back in the Ark to complete the Shacharis, before going on to the bris.

See Mishne Berura, Laws of Yom Kippur, Chapter 620, notes 5-8.)

Needless to say, there is no room for levity on these Holy Days, and pictures may not be taken.

On the days that are not one of the festivals, a bris is carried out early in the morning, after the sun has risen. It is incorrect to have a bris before sunrise.

It is completely improper to have a bris at night when the sun has set. Yet one hears that this mistake is being foisted on the community, on those who have little knowledge, by the occasional mohel. The people are being told that it's a wonderful idea to have a bris at night, because then, it doesn't interfere with the day's work, and all the friends will be able to come, have a good time and bring lots of presents.

The Code Yore De'ah, Laws of Milah, Chapter 262, paragraph 1, rules invalid a bris made at night and requires the child to undergo a hatafas dam bris, a slight cut that will draw blood from the child, this procedure to be done in daylight hours so as to qualify as a bris. Only then will it be kosher.

A celebration to accompany a kosher bris is highly prized in Judaism. The Talmud wants us to celebrate this holy rite with family and friends in great happiness. So, there is a party on the Friday night before the bris. This party is called a Shalom Zachor. The party after the bris is holy. But, in no way can the partying outweigh the mitzvah itself. In no way can one postpone the bris for the sake of a better party.

On Yom Kippur, since everyone must fast, there is no party for the bris. On Tish'a B'Av, another fast day, there is no party meal after the bris. But, there is nothing to stop you from celebrating at night, after the fast.

Maimonides, in his Guide to the Perplexed, Book 3, Chapter 49, tells us that bris milah, circumcision, will tame a man's wild sexual drive. In these days, this drive needs to be tamed more than ever before. Let it be done according to halacha, and it will be effective.

Labor MK rejects Likud concept of bi-national state

Supports territorial compromise

By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM — According to the polls, it seems likely that even if Menachem Begin's Likud government manages to hold on until the end of its term, it will be replaced by the Ma'arach, the Labor Alignment, most probably under Shimon Peres, after the next election.

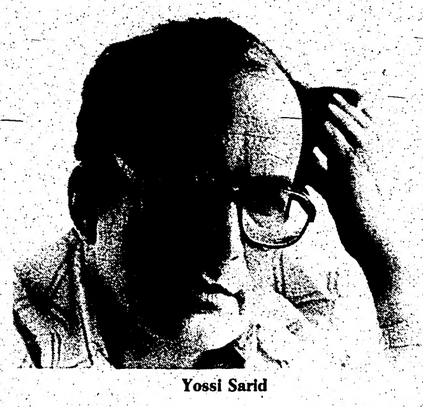
After the 1977 elections which brought a non-Labor government to power for the first time in Israel, the Ma'arach was in a state of disarray, so much so, critics charge, that they have not managed to function as a credible opposition these three years.

Their stand on many crucial issues, including Camp David and the economic situation, and more recently the Jerusalem Law, has been amorphous, unprincipled and ridden with internal disunity.

Now that national leadership seems ready to drop into their hands like a ripe fruit, more by default than by any real determination on their part to earn it, many voters are asking bluntly: Has the Ma'arach managed to get its act together? What does it propose to offer the electorate this time around?

The CJN went to the Knesset to ask **Yossi Sarid** who directed the election campaign in 1977, Sarid, a left-wing member of the Labor Party, serves on the foreign affairs and defence committee of the Knesset.

CJN: In 1977 it was charged that the Ma'arach lost the election because it deliberately blurred the differences between itself and the Likud, especially on foreign policy, in order to appeal to the broadest possible spectrum of opinion. Even now, it is not clear where you stand on these crucial issues.



Yossi Sarid

Sarid: Today there is a clear dividing line between the Ma'arach and the Likud — and I am not speaking merely as a representative of the doves in the Ma'arach. The division exists even between the hawks in the Ma'arach and the Likud.

The Likud believes no border should ever again separate the West Bank from the rest of Eretz Israel. Hence it does not regard the West Bank as a subject for territorial compromise. This line does not exist even among the hawks in the Ma'arach. All of us are ready for some kind of territorial compromise.

While the doves among us are prepared to relinquish 90% of the West Bank and Gaza, the hawks are prepared to give back 70% — everything except the Jordan Valley settlements, Kiriat Arba, Gush Etzion and East Jerusalem. We do not want to rule the 1,250,000 Arabs of the West Bank and Gaza and we don't believe in a bi-national state.

There have been definite changes in the stand of the Labor Party since 1977. Since the party conference is not due to take place until December, I cannot describe these changes as official — but they are factual.

CJN: But the Labor Party's public pronouncements still seem to gloss over these differences. How far will it be prepared to defend these stands if the Likud is in opposition?

Sarid: The clearest public statement of the changes so far was in an interview Peres gave recently to Die Welt. The Ma'arach used to refer to a territorial settlement as a basis for a final peace. In the Die Welt interview it was referred to as an interim arrangement between Israel and Jordan. This is not merely semantic — it makes a world of difference. It gives Jordan a great deal without a final peace agreement. Just how much more could be given is naturally not a topic of discussion at this stage, and a thousand-and-one questions arise here among Ma'arach members. But this is a debate that does not even exist in the Likud.

CJN: There is much discussion of the Jordanian option, though it is still unclear whether Jordan herself is prepared to consider it seriously. Where does the Ma'arach stand on the question of contacts with the PLO?

Sardid: The hawks in the Ma'arach declare we shall never talk to them. Even a dove like myself is not prepared to conduct negotiations on my own funeral. If the PLO's stand changes, that will be a different matter.

CJN: Many people's hopes that the Ma'arach would come up with fresh thinking on the Palestinian problem were dashed when Israel Galili, identified with some of the party's most hawkish stands, was appointed to head the subcommittee charged with framing the Ma'arach's political platform.

Sarid: It's true the appointment had symbolic value: people thought we were trotting all kinds of back numbers out of the cupboard and that we had nothing new to offer. Otherwise the appointment has no significance. There would not be an iota of difference in a party platform framed by myself or by Galili — and I should know, I've framed four of them in my time.

The platform is considered by various committees, and in the end has to emerge in line with the general party view. And as I have said, there have been changes in that view in the last three years.

CJN: There are clear signs that the incessant rivalry between Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Rabin is turning the public off. This is the third time they have competed for party leadership and the public is aware that the rivalry is personal and not substantive or ideological.

Sarid: This, I agree is a continuing problem. But Peres after all, enjoys a majority in the party. He heads the party list and is the candidate for the premiership. In the end there will have to be agreement that Peres will be number one, and Rabin as defence minister, number two.

CJN: The public has been given to understand that the dislike between Peres and Rabin is almost pathological. How can they evolve a working and consultative relationship in these circumstances?

Sarid: They are neither of them free agents. They have a responsibility to the party. We have already paid a heavy price for lack of unity and in the end, party pressures will force them to resolve their differences.

CJN: Do you envisage a return to your traditional working relationship in coalition with the National Religious Party?

Sarid: I hope we shall not need them in order to form a government. If they spent one term out of office altogether it would be most healthy for the country. But that will depend on the voters.

Even if we do need the NRP I hope that their bargaining power over cabinet ministers and legislation will not exceed their true representation in the country.

CJN: What is your own personal view of the social and political issues Israel will be called upon to face in the immediate future?

Sarid: Social and economic issues are not my particular sphere, but I will say that we shall not be able to resolve the genuine social problems confronting us as long as we are bogged down on the Palestinian question.

The social gap among Israelis is widening as time goes on and is now absolute, no longer relative. We need proper nurturing of these groups in our educational system and elsewhere in order to cope with the divisions in our society.

Secondly, living with the day-to-day reality of the occupation, we have no chance of turning Israel into a better society. Obviously, compared to certain other countries with no human rights and no concern for public welfare, Israel is terrific — but we want better than that.

We have a pretty good opinion of ourselves, but we would be hard pressed to see where we have made genuine progress or contributed something of value to the world lately. Even an enlightened occupation is still an occupation, and in the end ceases being enlightened. We are sitting on two powder kegs here, both of which threaten our existence: the social gap and the occupation. We have to rid ourselves of both.

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PLO trying to block senators' reelection

WASHINGTON (JTA) — A leading Palestine Liberation Organization propagandist, Dr. M.T. Mehdi of New York City, is campaigning in Idaho and Oregon to block the re-election of two U.S. senators who support friendly relations with Israel. In turn, the two legislators, Sen. Frank Church (D. Idaho), chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, and Bob Packwood (R. Ore.), have hit back at his tactics.

Mehdi, who is understood to be of Iraqi origin, has identified himself as secretary-general of Arab People to America. His tactics against Church and Packwood, among the most articulate supporters of Israel in Congress, include advertisements in newspapers in the two states urging opposition to "all American military aid to Israel and the Arab states."

He also suggests that the Arab states would boycott wheat from Idaho.

To avoid charges that he is interfering in American elections, Mehdi masks his propaganda by claiming that he is conducting an "educational campaign," the senator's aides have noted.

Characterizing Mehdi's statements as "nonsense," Church's office here said "Israel and Egypt are our two strongest allies in the Middle East. That's why we support them. If we don't, we leave a vacuum to be filled by radical Arab states — Syria, Iraq, Libya — which are already armed to the teeth by the Soviet Union."

Idaho mainly produces soft white wheat which is chiefly exported to the Far East. Libya, which helps bankroll the PLO, seeks hard winter wheat available in the Midwest. Besides, the cost of transporting the grain to the Mideast is much less from the Midwestern states.

Packwood's office said "Dr. Mehdi has been a front for the PLO for almost 15 years" and described him as "a supporter of terrorism, a supporter of hijacking of airplanes." It quoted Packwood as saying: "As far as support of Israel is concerned, I intend to continue it. They are a great ally. They are a democracy. I wish we had a dozen more allies like Israel around the world. I'd feel a lot safer."

Problems for newcomers

Mexican Jews adapted but have not assimilated

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A man familiar with Mexican Jewry and Mexico's historical development observes that Mexico has traditionally posed a problem for newcomers. "Mexicans are xenophobic, and Mexico itself is a nationalistic and non-immigration country," he says, noting that Jewish migration, in and out, is negligible even today.

"The Mexicans make it difficult for anyone to obtain citizenship, and so immigrants have always found it hard to integrate," he comments. "Things are changing. Today Mexico is more of a pluralistic country. So what we have in Mexico is not a religious problem, but a nationalistic one."

Mexican xenophobia, whether religious or nationalistic, or both, merges with anti-semitism at one point or another.

Anti-semitism, Mexican style, is not in the same league as the Argentinian or pre-war Polish varieties. But Mexico City has gained a reputation of sorts as a centre of anti-semitic publications. According to Nudelstejer, seven or eight titles were published here last year and distributed to the rest of Latin America. Among them were Hitler's "Mein Kampf" and "Los Protocolos de los Sabios de Sion", the infamous Czarist forgery.

"It is important to stress that no official anti-semitism exists in Mexico," he says, "and that government policy, in accordance with the Mexican constitution, has been one of democracy and social justice opposed to any kind of discrimination."

Nevertheless, the Jewish community has seen fit to establish the Comite de Tribuna Israelita to combat anti-semitism and discrimination. The Comite does this partly through its publications, Tribuna Israelita and Actualidad.

For native Mexican Jews, anti-semitism is not the major problem it is, say in Argentina. "We feel it just a little," says a writer in her early 30s, "not in a radical way." "It's mostly beneath the surface." Claims Eduardo Feher, executive director of the Centro Deportivo Israelita, the sports and social club: "In Mexico, there is xenophobia, but not anti-semitism." A thin smile creases his face. "In general, Mexicans don't like foreigners. But we — the Jews — live here in freedom."

The community's relations with Mexico's substantial Arab community appear to be correct. "The Arab-Israeli dispute has not caused any hard feelings," says Mario Rabner, publisher of La Prensa Israelita, a Spanish language weekly. Notes Feher: "There's no problem. We respect each other. We're not very close, but there are sports interchanges."

As for Jewish-Catholic Church relations, Nudelstejer says they are making slow but steady progress. In some villages, though, priests still accuse the Jewish people of deicide, says Rabner.

Despite the somewhat insular nature of Mexico's Jewish community, intermarriage is on the rise. But the 15% rate is well below that of Canada or the U.S.

In Feldman's opinion, most Jews who marry outside the faith have no Jewish education or background. But for others, particularly those with liberal views, intermarriage goes hand in hand with living in a free society. And Mexico, its faults notwithstanding, is as free as any country in Latin America.

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Afternoon:
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Professors—Chaim Adler
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Evening:
7:00 Shabbat Dinner at homes of Toronto Jewish families

Saturday, October 11, 1980

Morning:
8:00 Breakfast
9:00 Shabbat Services-available at Hotel
10:00-11:30 "Jewish Consciousness"-David Hartman

Afternoon: No Scheduled Lunch
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Organizations and People

What's New

By Miriam Herman

General Chaim Laskov, the ombudsman of the Israel Defence Forces, explained the political and economic situation at an Israel Bond luncheon hosted by Marilyn Light in conjunction with Beth Tzedec Sisterhood's annual campaign. Left to right are: Marilyn Light; Leona Finkler, chairman of the Women's Division of Israel Bonds; General Laskov, and Yvonne Stein, Bond chairman of Beth Tzedec.

HADASSAH-WIZO MONTH

Toronto Hadassah-WIZO launches Hadassah-WIZO Month at a luncheon on Thursday, Sept. 4, at noon at the Primrose Club. Guest speaker is **Mirial Small**, national president, Canadian Hadassah-WIZO. Program also presents the Toronto Hadassah-WIZO Choir.

OSTROVTZER MEMORIAL SERVICE

All person from Ostrowiec and neighboring towns are invited to attend the annual services in memory of the victims of the Nazis taking place Sunday, Sept. 7, at 11 a.m. at Lambton Park Cemetery, Royal York Road. Cars will leave from 14 Viewmount Ave. at 10.15 a.m. **Rabbi Gedalia Felder** will be officiating along with other speakers. If you would like to know more information, call **Albert Bainerman** at 636-4542.

COURSES IN ACTING

The Leah Posluns Theatre School, Koffler Centre of the Arts, offers acting courses for everyone — all ages, at all levels. There are courses in creative drama, advanced acting and production workshops, Seneca credit acting courses for adults (may be taken for general interest) and York University course in dramatic literature. Register by calling 636-1880, ext. 15 or 30.

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AMBASSADOR AT HOLY BLOSSOM

The Selichot program and worship at Holy Blossom Temple on Saturday, Sept. 6, features **Ambassador Yesheyahu Anug** speaking on "Israel and the Hope for Peace." The time is 9 p.m.

OZROWER SOCIETY YISKOR SERVICE

The Ozrower Mutual Benefit Society annual Yiskor service is set for Sunday, Sept. 7, at 9.30 a.m. at Mount Sinai Cemetery, (Keele and Wilson). **Cantor Charles Heller** will be officiating.

BETH TZEDEC SELICHOT SERVICES

Beth Tzedec Congregation's Selichot services, scheduled for midnight Saturday, Sept. 6, will follow a pre-Selichot program that begins with a coffee reception at 10.15 p.m. and then a talk at 11 p.m. by University of Toronto professor of psychiatry **Saul V. Levine**, who has just returned after a year in Israel. His topic — "What's Right with Israel."

HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES AT YORK U.

High Holy Day services at York University will be conducted by **Seymour Epstein** and **Cantors Michael Krausman and Moshe Ronen**. Tickets, available to general community (free to students and children under 12), must be purchased in advance. For more information, call 667-3647.

MIDRASHA L'MORIM REGISTRATION

Registration for the Toronto Jewish Teachers' Seminary (Midrasha L'Morim) is open from Sunday, Sept. 7, to Tuesday, Sept. 9, from 7-9 p.m. at the Finch Education Centre of Associated Hebrew Schools, 252 Finch Ave. W. First semester classes begin Sunday, Sept. 14 from 2-6 p.m. Please note that all classes are given in Hebrew. For further information, call **Harold Malitzky** at the Board of Jewish Education at 781-4687.

FESTIVAL-IN-THE-PARK

North York Public Library celebrates its 30th anniversary with a Festival-in-the-Park on Sunday, Sept. 14, from 12-4 p.m. at Earl Bales Park. Come out and enjoy this special family day with fun for everyone — the well-known folk-singing group, "The Travellers," films, games, book draw, demonstrations, library service displays, and a gigantic used book sale.

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DISCO DANCE

All Jewish students and young adults are invited to a New Year disco dance arranged by the Jewish Student Federation for Tuesday, Sept. 8, at 8 p.m. at Sparkles. If you would like more information, call 667-3647.

PEN PALS ACROSS THE SEA

A new pen pal group has been formed at Baycrest Centre that will provide seniors with a little international flavor. Residents of the Halperin Home for the Aged in Ashkelon, Israel, will become the first letter friends of the Baycrest club.

JCC REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Program registration at branches of the Jewish Community Centre will take place on Sunday, Sept. 7, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. These include programs offered by the Koffler Centre of the Arts — 636-1880; Northern Branch — 636-1880; Leah Posluns Theatre — 630-6752; Bloor Branch — 924-6211, and North-East Branch — 493—8866. You may register for some programs before that date.

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

The blood donor clinic at the Manulife Centre, 55 Bloor St. W., is open weekdays from 10.30 a.m. to 7.30 p.m. ..... Also, for those interested in the first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) courses given by the Red Cross, the Toronto Central branch number is 923-6692 and the North York branch's is 224-2202.

HISTORIC FINDS AT ANCIENT SITE

Excavations at the ancient site of Antipatris, east of Petah Tikva, have uncovered a number of historic finds, it was announced by **Prof. Moshe Kochavi** of Tel Aviv University's archeological department who headed the excavation team. The finds included a perfectly preserved household with wine jars, oil lamps, food and utensils all in place, as if a housewife had neatly arranged the pantry just before a disaster occurred. The disaster was the destruction of the town in 70CE by Roman soldiers who were there to restore order after the populace organized resistance against the Roman occupiers. The town of Antipatris was built by King Herod in 9BCE on the site of the previous Hellenistic town of Pegai, which was populated largely by Jews.

MEDIC-ALERT BRACELETS

Two percent of the population over 40 have glaucoma, according to Dr. John Peroff, president of the Ontario Association of Optometrists, and "if they lose consciousness in an accident or suffer a stroke, or some other misfortune, and are unable to continue with their eyedrops, vision loss could result." It is for this reason the OAO recommends the use of Medic-Alert bracelets or necklaces for those people with eye disease. These make emergency personnel aware of the problem and are supplemented by wallet cards with further information and an international Medic-Alert number that can be called around the clock for the wearer's file.

Another large segment of the population at risk are contact lens wearers who could suffer corneal abrasion if lenses were not removed by someone familiar with the proper method.

The address of the Canadian Medic-Alert Foundation is 176 St. George St., Toronto, M5R 2N1. The phone number is 923-2451.

ART AUCTION

The Anne Frank Foundation annual art auction of oils and graphics is slated for Sunday, Sept. 7, at Hotel Triumph (Keele and Wilson). There will be two auctions — in the afternoon the preview is at 1, with the auction at 2, and in the evening with the preview at 7 and the auction at 8. Each couple attending will receive a free lithograph. Proceeds go to the Anne Frank Haven School for underprivileged children in Israel. Tickets may be obtained at the door.

JEWISH SINGLES DIRECTORY

Jewish Information Service has just completed the third revision of the Metro Jewish Singles Directory. The latest edition has been expanded to list not only singles groups, but editorial resources for the Jewish single and single parent. Obtain your copy by calling JIS at 789-7278. There is a nominal charge.

JEWISH VEGETARIAN SOCIETY

The Jewish Vegetarian Society first meeting of the new season is set for Sunday, Sept. 7, at 3 p.m. For further details, call 667-3647 or 782-1310.

INTERESTED IN ALIYA?

A garin is being formed for people interested in making aliya. The first meeting will be held at Torah Emeth Jewish Centre, 1 Viewmount Ave., 7.30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 7.

About People

WINNING IN A BIG WAY

Baycrest seniors were big winners at this year's CNE. Eleven Jewish Home for the Aged residents and Day Care members received special recognition in the homes for the aged category in a handicraft competition. In pottery, **Brucha Stern**, 85, captured first prize; **Irving Goldenberg**, 82, placed third, and honorable mentions went to **Ann Feldman**, 73, **Annie Novitsky**, 68, **Fanny Roff**, 87, **Lottie Richtiger**, 69, and **Shifra Wasser**, 85. **William Silver**, 91, continued a winning tradition by taking second prize in mosaic tiles and **Vita Mendelsohn**, 75, was third in that category.

In crochet work, **Anna Domokos**, 80, took second prize and an honorable mention went to **Lean Kolchin**, 87.

The work was on display at the CNE's Better Living Centre.

BETH TZEDEC WELCOMES CANTOR

Beth Tzedec Congregation welcomes **Cantor Paul H. Kowarsky** at a congregational kiddush in his honor this Saturday morning, Sept. 6.

NEPTUNE NAMES TORONTO LAWYER

Toronto lawyer **Fern Silverman** has been appointed general manager of Halifax's Neptune Theatre. Miss Silverman, who has worked on several theatre productions and as publicity assistant for the Shaw Festival, took over her new position Sept. 2.

HEADS JEWISH RESEARCH ACADEMY

Harry M. Orlinsky, professor emeritus of Bible at Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, is the new president of the American Academy for Jewish Research. He is the first member of the Hebrew Union College faculty to head the 50-year-old academy which is regarded as the foremost organization in the United States whose members are engaged in advanced Jewish scholarship. One of the world's leading authorities on Bible and biblical translation, Dr. Orlinsky has been on the Hebrew Union College faculty since 1944.

HUMANITARIAN AWARD WINNER

Elizabeth Taylor Warner will be the recipient of the first **Simon Wiesenthal Humanitarian Award** to be presented at a dinner in Los Angeles in November. The famous actress, wife of U.S. **Senator John Warner**, donated her services as narrator for the multi-media presentation "Genocide," produced by the Simon Wiesenthal Centre for Holocaust Studies of Yeshiva University in Los Angeles.

BROTHERS' WORKS SELECTED

Among the 10 important contemporary Canadian artists whose work has been chosen to tour Europe this coming year are Toronto-born sculptors **David Rabinowitch** and **Royden Rabinowtich** (yes, they are brothers). Their sculpture drawings and pieces are included in the exhibit of 57 objects produced or conceived by the 10 artists during the 1970s. This show was selected especially for a European audience by **Roald Nasgaard**, chief curator of the Art Gallery of Ontario. Entitled "10 Canadian Artists in the 1970s," it premieres at the AGO Sept. 6, and after closing Oct. 19, it will travel in Europe.

ALON BEN-GURION — HOTEL TRAINEE

Alon Ben-Gurion, grandson of former Israeli Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, who worked his way through Tel Aviv University as a waiter at the Tel Aviv Sheraton, returned to the Sheraton recently for a summer course as a management trainee. He is currently studying hotel administration at Cornell University.

TEKOAH HEADS SOVIET EMIGRES

Yosef Tekoah, president of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and former Israel ambassador to the Soviet Union and the United Nations, was elected president of the Soviet Immigrants' Association in Israel by some 500 delegates attending the association's convention. He told the conclave that he will continue the struggle to ensure aliya from the Soviet Union and to help overcome absorption difficulties encountered in Israel by immigrants from the USSR.

Members of the Ottawa Jewish community recently attended a dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Greenberg to establish the Sonia Kizell Scholarship Endowment Fund at Bar-Ilan University. Mrs. Kizell is seen here receiving a citation from Bar-Ilan presented by Mordechai Shalev, former ambassador to Canada and currently special assistant to the president of Bar-Ilan.

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Organizations and People

Shma Yisrael Orchestra a big hit in Israel

By ANDREA PARKER

TORONTO –
The Shma Yisrael Orchestra recently returned to Toronto after a successful three-week tour of army camps in Israel, as guests of the Association for the Welfare of Soldiers.

The orchestra consists of seven enthusiastic young men, aged 18 to 24, who played hassidic, jazz and modern Israeli music. Their selections were arranged by Gershon Tobias, 21, who plays guitar and bass and who said he has plans to continue his musical career in studio work.

David Goodman, 20, who plays trumpet and flute, said the group met Brig-Gen. Natke Nir, chairman of the association in Israel, who was on a fund-raising tour in Toronto last November. Nir told the group to "come to Israel and I'll look after you." The band also met with Irving Matlow, president of the Toronto branch.

In May, Lieut.-Col. David Laor, general director, foreign affairs of the association, asked to hear the band during the UJA walkathon in Toronto. Hillel Reiken, 19, alto and soprano saxophone player, explained that even though the piano player and singer were missing, the rest of the group played for him in front of Baycrest, where the walkers had a stop. "We put together the agreement (for the tour) in the Baycrest lobby," he said.

The members of the orchestra paid their own transportation, but received room, board and transportation to their performances and were based in Ashkelon at a soldiers' rest centre. They were the first recipients of the Cantor Joseph Cooper scholarship from the Toronto Council of Hazanim, which helped defer some of their costs.

David Young, 24, vocalist, said "one of the most rewarding (performances) was in a soldiers' convalescent home in Haifa. The men appreciated the music and the entertainment."

He added that one of the highlights during most of the 17 outdoor concerts was the background scenery, such as Lake Kinneret and the mountains in Sinai. "We knew we were in Israel," he said.

The orchestra had the opportunity to perform in a television show, "which took four hours to tape for 11 minutes" of program.

There were many moments of levity throughout the group's tour. Marlon Hershkop, 18, keyboard player, told a story of driving to Ashkelon from Eilat at 4 a.m. and the driver refused to stop for gas even though the tank read empty. A few miles later, when he had to stop, the driver filled up with gas stored in jerrycans in the truck. "But he spilled half on the road and there were soldiers smoking in the back," said Hershkop.

And occasionally, the band members created their own diversions. Young introduced the group at the beginning of the show and near the end of the concert, he re-introduced them, either as television newsmen from Buffalo, N.Y. or as hockey players.

Before starting their tour for the soldiers, the group played at a wedding on Kibbutz Sa'ad, where they stayed for a few weeks. "The kibbutz had a couple married just for us," joked Cyril Brenman, 21, who plays clarinet and tenor sax.

But the young men acknowledged seriously that if they lived in Israel, they would be in the army. "After the first concert which was held for the staff at a prison for soldiers, "we saw the men and thought these were the kind of people who go to war and don't come back . . . or some come back injured," said Young.

The orchestra returned to Toronto with awards which Brenman showed off proudly. One award was the symbol of the medical corps on Boston copperplate from the convalescent hospital in Haifa and the other was from a tankists' technician school in Kiryat Malachi. Each man also received a letter from Gen. Rafael Eitan, chief of staff of the Israeli Defence Force.

Brig-Gen. Nir has invited the group back for next summer.

The orchestra, which practices once a week for two hours, was formed in September of 1978 and was organized by David Eisen, 18, who plays drums and stayed in Israel to attend Hebrew University. The young men knew each other through school or synagogue.

In Toronto they have performed at City Hall for Soviet Jewry, as well as for bar mitzvahs, Jewish holidays and private parties. The group can be contacted through Cyril Brenman, 782-2153 or David Goodman, 781-2622.

Perched on an armored personnel carrier in Israel are members of Toronto's Shma Yisrael Orchestra: left to right [sitting] David Eisen, Cyril Brenman, Gershon Tobias, Hillel Reiken, and David Goodman; [standing] David Young and Marlon Hershkop.

Artist wants to help patients

TORONTO —
Ron Satok, a Toronto artist who lost his sight due to illness, is looking for corporate sponsors who will provide him with funding for a project he is setting up that will bring art to the disabled.

Satok, who lectures on art, told a press conference that he has "inner vision." He said he can remember pieces of art that he has seen and in that way he is able to discuss them.

He said he is "hoping to inspire people with handicaps to come out of their shell. I want them to say 'hey, I'm alive.' I want them to be happy about themselves. That is my job."

Next year is the International Year of the Disabled, Satok said, and he hopes to make people aware of how much disabled people mean to a society. "I want people who have had misfortunes to have a place in society."

Satok said one way to do that is through art and culture. And that is where he comes in. He said he wants to teach art in the hospitals. "I want to make them aware of what art is."

Satok has done a great deal of work in hospitals in the Toronto area. He said: "Having emotionally disturbed people work with an unsighted artist has had marvelous results."

Film festival

TORONTO —
Toronto's Harbourfront will be hosting a 10-day Israeli film festival in conjunction with this city's fifth Festival of Festivals.

The films, at $3 per screening, will be shown nightly — from Sept. 5 until Sept. 14 — in Harbourfront's 200-seat Studio Theatre, 235 Queen's Quay W. The movies begin at 7.30 p.m., with a second film starting at 9.30.

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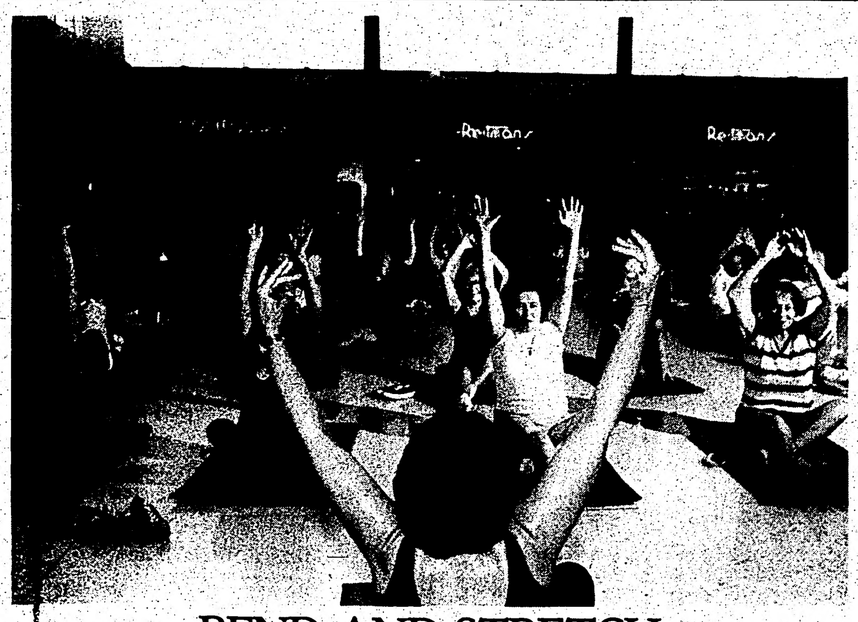
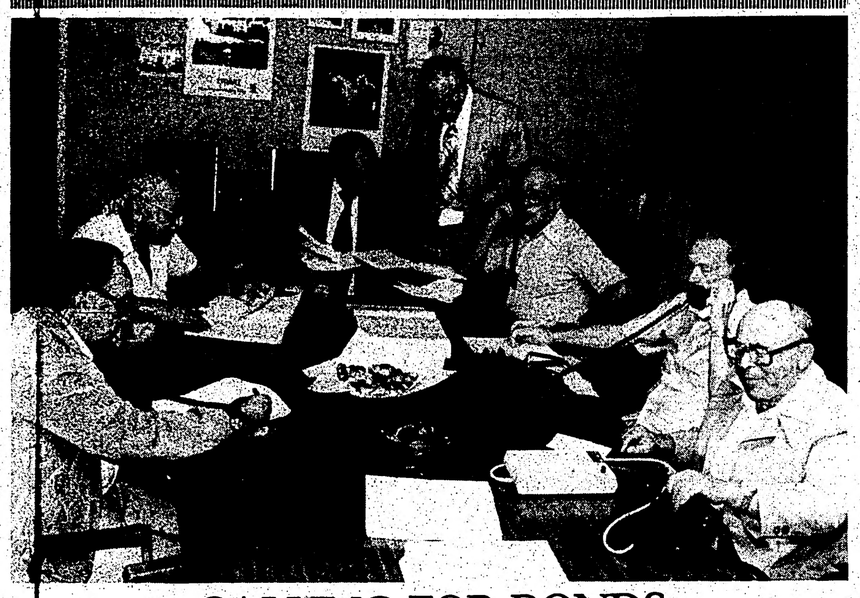


BEND AND STRETCH

The JCC Goodage Club put on a physical fitness display at the Yorkdale Shopping Centre during its Education Week. The group was just one of many from the JCC's northern complex showing passersby some of the programs available at the centre. [Ben Lechtman photo]



CALLING FOR BONDS

Labor Zionist Alliance leaders held a telethon to contact members regarding their 1980 Israel Bond commitment. From left: Al Rabin, Alex Ogden, Morris Szelkowitz, L. A. Lifshitz, Lipa Wise, Joe Fein and Harry Weinstock.

Apter Society among viable landsmanshaften

By PAUL WEINBERG

TORONTO – Talk to Ernie Marmurek, the social chairman for the Apter Society in Toronto, and he will assure you the landsmanshaften still serves a social need for Jews from the old country.

The membership may be older and it has not had a large influx of members since World War II but with its 110 members, he says it is still an active organization in 1980.

"What keeps the Apter Society alive is that it is made up of a group of people who grew up together and knew each other from birth in the same town," he said.

Every wave of Jewish immigration from Eastern Europe since the last century has been greeted by landsmanshaften like the Apter, which are mutual benefit societies for newcomers from the same community in Europe.

They have provided friendship, a religious focus and social assistance for the lonely Jewish newcomer who has arrived from Eastern Europe, but who is homesick for a town he may never see again.

U.S. author Irving Howe says in his book, "World of Our Fathers," that the Eastern European Jewish immigrants retained little loyalty for their country back home, particularly if it was Russia or Poland, but they had a strong and even fierce attachment for their little town and the people they knew.

Landsmanshaften fade as the newcomers become accustomed to their new country and find local voluntary associations like the B'nai B'rith. Howe says there used to be thousands of landsmanshaften in New York City.

The Toronto Jewish community still has many people who were born and later uprooted from countless villages across Eastern Europe after the Holocaust, for whom the landsmanshaften still has meaning.

Apter society members come from the town of Opatow in northwest Poland, which had a prewar Jewish population of 7,000 in a community of 14,000 people.

"It was a centre for all kinds of tailoring," says Ernie Marmurek. "Custom-made suits, lots of shoemakers, brushes that were exported to Italy and Germany." He estimates Opatow's present population to be 7,000.

Marmurek was one of the 500 Opatow Jews who survived the Holocaust after World War II. With the help of the Apter Society already in existence in Toronto from an earlier immigration, 200 of them came to Toronto in the late 1940s and were reunited with their relatives.

The Apter Society has been around since 1900 in North America in Toronto and New York, says Marmurek, "but Toronto right now has the largest chapter on the North American continent."

The war helped to rejuvenate Apter membership. Apter had a house on 216 Beverley St. that it used as a synagogue since 1925. However, it was completely renovated after a postwar immigration inflated Apter's membership rolls. Although they had a rabbi for a couple of years, most of the time the members could only afford a sexton to take care of the premises.

Ninety-five per cent of the 200 people who became active members of Apter in the late 1940s were working class people, says Marmurek. Marmurek, himself, after he came to Canada in 1947, worked in a hardware store.

Nowadays, Marmurek is self-employed as a house painter and a general contractor. He describes the majority of Apter people as small store owners or small business people, and they are the ones who have stuck with the organization.

The Apter no longer has a synagogue, it was sold to the Showmen's League of America in the mid 1960s. It is now primarily a social organization which holds nine meetings a year and sponsors a number of charities.

Apter's three-person board of directors, of which Marmurek is a member, maintains a cemetery for members at Bathurst Lawn on Bathurst near Steeles.

Marmurek says the youngest members of the Apter are 35 years old, but he concedes the majority are over 50. He says there is room for the sons and the daughters of Apter people to join.

BB planning films

TORONTO — Using a series of filmed vignettes, the firm of Earl Rosen and Associates has been chosen by B'nai B'rith to produce two audio-visual programs aimed at sensitizing people to the best ways of dealing with intercultural and intergroup relations, says Don Jubas, national co-chairman of the League for Human Rights of Canadian B'nai B'rith.

"Mr. Rosen will attempt to depict scenes that relate to problems that have developed because of the lack of awareness or understanding between cultural groups as well as between ethnic groups and various Canadian institutions," explained Jubas.

The project, jointly funded by the League and the Wintario grant program, is considered especially relevant, added Jubas, because of an incident this summer in Toronto when an East Indian family was attacked by a group of teenagers in an elevator.

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By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Neetzavim — Vayelech - Selichot

During the Holy Season, Satan himself rushes to find faults with each Jew. How can we overcome him?

When Reb Heschel was still a youngster, his father once found him in a corner eating before the blowing of the shofar — a violation of Jewish law.

When his father confronted him, the youngster calmly explained: "Father, we blow shofar in order 'to confuse Satan' so that he won't speak harshly against the Jews. So I figured that if I eat now, Satan will think that we already blew shofar, and then he'll really be mixed up!" (Fun Unzer Alten Oitzer)

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This Shabbat is the last Shabbat of the year. Just as when you pick up a stick from the end, the whole stick is lifted, the same way — if a Jew keeps this last Shabbat of the year with super sacredness, careful not to desecrate any law, and dedicating time for Torah study — he can lift up every Shabbat of the past year.

Interesting . . . . on the Shabbat before every Rosh Chodesh, or new month, we recite Birchat Hachodesh, the prayer for the new month. Why is it that before this new month of Tishrei, we don't recite the blessing?

Answered the famous Shaim Mee'Shmuel: "We recite the blessing of the new moon, in order that Rosh Chodesh should be influenced from the holiness of the previous Shabbat. But on Rosh Hashanah we commemorate the creation of the world when there was no previous Shabbat! It was day one. The same way, on Rosh Hashanah a Jew should forget the past and start new, fresh — become a new person."

But there is an even more intriguing reason.

It is brought down in the name of the first Lubavitcher Rebbe (der "alter rebbe") who heard from his rebbe, the Mezritcher Maggid, who heard it from his rebe — the Bal Shem Tov — that for the month of Tisheri, the Ribono shel Olam himself blesses the upcoming month. And it is because of His blessing, that the Jews have the power to bless the other 11 months of the year.

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A Jew can bless himself — when he does Teshuva. When he takes off 10, 15 minutes a day, whether alone in a car, jogging, in a den or kitchen, and he can ask himself — Why am I alive? What does G-d want from me? What are my responsibilities according to the Torah? Where have I erred? Have I been bad to others? Do I take the precious gift of life for granted?

Teshuva is not just a word. A Jew has to perform spiritual surgery on himself, know himself, improve himself.

The Shabbat before the Rosh Hashanah always begins with the word ATEM — you! The word ATEM is made up of three Hebrew letters, Alef . . . Tuf . . . . Mem. Rearranged, the words spell out the word, EMET, truth. When you're true to yourself, and true to G-d, then you can reach to His very throne.

But who can stand unafraid before judgment? We ask G-d for mercy — and we have to show that same mercy to others. Please remember the hundreds of impoverished families in Israel, each one a story in itself — illness, unmarried children, scholars in dire straits. Help them by sending a donation to the Monthly Fund, c-o Rabbi Meir Gottesman, 9 Fraserwood Ave., Toronto M6B M6B 2N3. Not a penny goes to overhead, and a tax-deductible receipt will be issued.

Shabbat Shalom.

CBC airs extensive Jewish sampler

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO — CBC Radio will premiere a two-hour U.S.-made extensive sampler of Jewish music, writing and liturgy by world-renowned artists, on its Identities program.

Part one of "Rozhinkes Mit Mandlen" will be heard across Canada Sunday, Sept. 7, from 3.05 to 4 p.m. (EDT) and part two one week later.

Prepared and narrated by U.S. producer Rita Willens, the program includes among many others: Isaac Bashevis Singer, Theodore Bikel, Richard Tucker, Moishe Oisher, Al Jolson, Elie Wiesel, the Satmar chassidim, Irving Howe, Jan Peerce, David Steinberg, Sophie Tucker, Joel Gray and Giora Friedman, each presenting an excerpt from his or her work.

Most of the 60 or more segments are cuts from other record albums. The show was first broadcast in 1977, and has won several awards in the U.S.

This is not to be confused with another radio show called Rozhinkes Mid Mandlen, based on ar autobiography by Fredelle Bruser Maynard. The latter is currently broadcast on CBC-AM every Tuesday afternoon from 2.04 to 2.30 p.m., until Oct. 14. It started on July 22.

Ms. Willens' program is a marvellous sampler of the variety, brilliance and poignancy of Jewish expression that has been flourishing in the U.S. The very idea of arranging such excerpts, so simple in afterthought, should put the program in the same rank as the artists it highlights.

Where else can one find together the Jewish soul music of clarinetist Giora Friedman (one of the few Israeli performers in the collection), Zero Mostel singing "If I Were A Rich Man," folksinger Alan Mills giving his laid-back version of a Yiddish ballad, Sophie Tucker singing "My Yiddishe Momme," reciting a heart-rending Yiddish poem about the children of Maidanek, and Elie Wiesel recalling the immortal demands of the teachers

This aural Who's Who of American Judaism is too extensive and overwhelming to describe in individual detail. The following observations apply in part.

The various cantors featured — Moishe Oysher, Moshe Kussevitsky, Leibele Waldman, Richard Tucker and Moses Silverman are dynamic and expressive. The hissing, scratching and tinny accompaniments that mark their selections, presumably the vestiges of their original old records, are at first annoying. But they quickly come to underscore, by way of contrast, the richness of the voices and contribute to a sort of haunting immortality in them.

The deep resonant voice of actor Morris Carnovsky either contradicts the apologetic lines of his Merchant of Venice or indicates a restrained dignity and masculinity. Listeners may decide for themselves.

Particulary interesting to readers slighting Philip Roth's contribution to Judaism is an excerpt he reads from a New York Times essay!

While touring Prague, he is overcome by a connection between the vestiges of its exterminated Jewish community and himself. "In England, France and Italy, no matter how long I stayed, I just felt like an American passing through," says Roth. "Here, looking for Franz Kafka's landmarks, I found my own."

Readings from "A Bintel Brief," the Jewish Daily Forward's letters-to-the-editor section, indicate the problems that faced new immigrants, from out-and-out starvation to emancipation.

Abba Eban's contribution, the only one by a politician, strikes the listener as an amusing anomaly. In his impeccable South African accent, he reads from Ecclesiastes, chapter 3. "To everything there is a season," he begins, "a time to be born, a time to die, . . . a time to plant . . . to pluck up that which is planted . . . to embrace . . . to refrain from embracing . . ." It seems to go on for such a long time, and so lifelessly that the listener is compelled to add vehemently . . . and a time to be quiet, already."

But Rozhinkes Mit Mandlen is, in general, a beautiful and extensive expression of the sweetness and bitterness of life. It is available as a two-record album for about $25 U.S. from Living Archives Ltd., P.O. Box 86, Barrington, Ill. 60010.

Listeners may also write to Living Archives for a list of all the performers and their original records. This would be a valuable little brochure for those interested in pursuing more of their favored artists.

Israel Ballet planning tour of the Americas

NEW YORK — Plans for the second tour to the United States, Canada and South America of the Israel Ballet in spring, 1981, are presently in the final stages, says Van Joyce, of New York's Agency.

While dates have been set for appearances in 17 U.S. cities between April 15 and May 24, openings still remain in the schedule.

"We are pleased to represent Israel's dance goodwill ambassadors," noted Joyce. "At a time when dance audiences have increased immensely, it is particularly gratifying to bring to Western audiences Israel's only classical ballet company, which has met with resounding success in previous tours of both the United States and Western Europe."

Founded in 1967, by Berta Yampolsky and Hillel Markman, the couple, both former members of the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo, presently serve as the company's artistic directors.

With a full repertoire of dance ranging from classical ballet to modern, the company has performed with numerous guest artists works by world-renowned choreographers.

Works presently in the company's repertoire include "Serenade" and "Concerto Barocco," choreographed by George Balanchine; "Opus 35" by Heinz Spoerli, "Electro-Bach" by Felix Blaska and "Graduation Ball" by Lichine.

Guest artists who have danced with the company include Edward Vilella and Cynthia Gregory. Alexander Godunov, who defected from the USSR last year, will be performing with the company during a tour to Greece.

"After a dance Diaspora, which took us from Holland, Belgium, Switzerland and the United States, we decided to ather and create in Israel a classical dance company. Since our first performance with Israel's Habima Theatre, our growth and recognition worldwide have been fulfilling both personally and professionally," founders Markman and Yampolsky noted. "At a time of economic cutbacks, it was particularly gratifying to have the Israeli government increase our subsidy last year."

Inter-religious meeting

MONTREAL — The National Tripartite Liaison Committee, a cross-Canada inter-religious society with representation from the Canadian Council of Churches, Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and Canadian Jewish Congress, will conduct its annual conference in Montreal.

The conference will take place Oct. 15-16 at the Beth Zion Congregation, 5740 Hudson Ave., Cote St. Luc. Theme will be *"Religious Values in a Secular Society."*

The keynote speakers will be Rabbi Dr. Eugene Borowtiz, editor of Sh'ma Journal in New York, and André Naud, professor of theology, at the University of Montreal. Respondents will be Dr. Victor Goldbloom, president of Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, and Romeo Maione, director of the Canadian International Development Agency.

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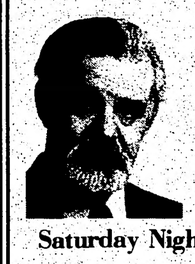

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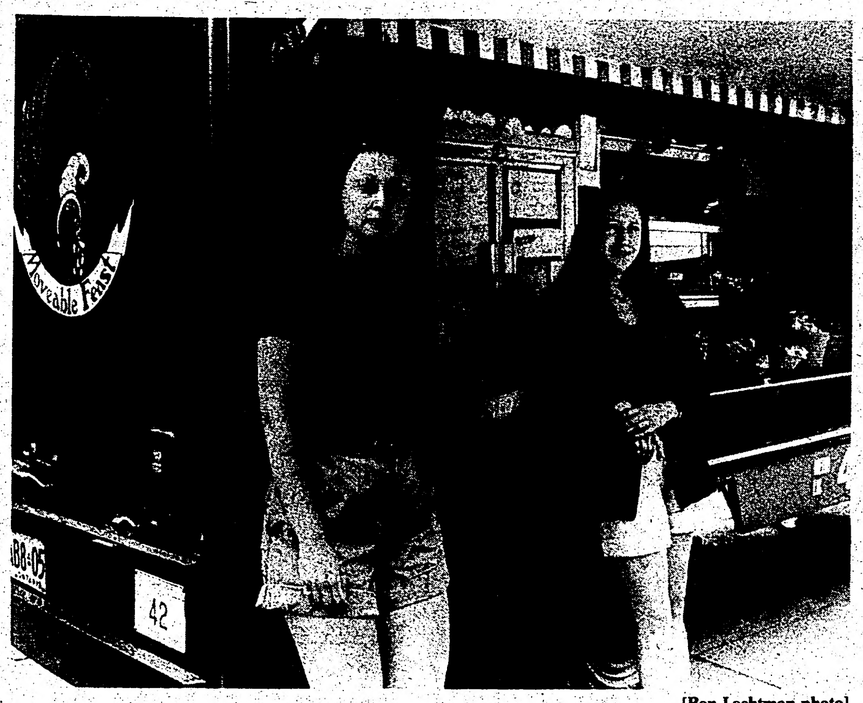
By NINA WOLPERT



[Ben Lechtman photo]

Paula Fisher [left] and Julie Caplin operate The Moveable Feast, a health food eating place on wheels.

TORONTO — The trend towards healthier eating continues to roll right along with the addition of The Moveable Feast to Toronto streets.

This brilliant purple canteen truck, co-owned by Julie Caplin, 25, and Paula Fisher, 27, sells only "wholesome food" as its 8-foot signs proclaim.

"We are definitely the first health food truck and probably the only catering truck owned by women in Toronto," says Paula.

Their hard-to-miss truck, parked weekdays on St. George St. just south of Harbord, is adorned with giant bagels, displays of fresh fruit and attractive baskets of muffins.

"Our sandwiches include a chickpea and sesame seed paté on a wholewheat kaiser. The pumpernickel bagels are spread with Mandel's cream cheese, the best and freshest in the city," says Torontonian Paula.

In addition, salads and home-made fruit juices vie with coconut, ginger, and Jamaican totoe cakes. "As the weather cools, hearty soups, casseroles, and even a potato kugel will be available," says Julie.

Julie arrived in Toronto six years ago from New York as an environmental studies student. However, her long-standing interest in nutrition eventually led her to become manager of a local food cooperative.

"I have also been baking since childhood. We lived in a neighborhood populated by artists, so I baked for friends in exchange for artwork," says Julie. When settled in Toronto, she established Urban Epicure, a home-baking operation supplying desserts to stores and restaurants.

Partner Paula, a graduate architect, wished to take time out from her field to learn about the business world. "I met Julie and it was the perfect partnership. We both wanted to go into food, but we had no funds for a restaurant. We also wanted mobility," says Paula.

"One day last October, Paula mentioned the idea of loading up a truck with Urban Epicure stock, and the Moveable Feast was on its way by April," says Julie.

With an initial investment of just over $10,000 culled from their savings, the two entrepreneurs purchased the truck and set to carving out their territory. "If we weren't so green, we would have bought a better truck with an established route," says Paula.

"In preparation we both took a mechanic's course to learn how to drive the truck. The main problem was one of size. We're not big and it is," says 100-pound Julie.

Indeed, both Julie and Paula are petite healthy examples of their nutritional philosophy. Julie has been a vegetarian for eight years, while Paula does an hour of yoga daily in addition to following her vegetarian regime.

Paula sees food as a way of maintaining health, while Julie is more concerned about the sensuous delights of eating. "But I hardly ever eat sweets. Sometimes, smelling something is as good as eating it," says Julie. They both fast once a week "to clear out our systems." They also share their nutritional knowledge cheerfully.

"We are very happy to explain to customers what's on our truck and why it's there. We had one man at a country and western music festival point to a carob-chip cookie and ask if it was a bagel."

Customers are not all health food faddists. "Because we know the ingredients of all our products, people on special diets can eat safely here. We can feed those who are kosher, diabetic, or who suffer from food allergies," says Julie.

"Children love the truck because their parents tell them they can eat anything on it."

Though public nutritional awareness has increased considerably, the partners think there is still a long way to go. "We had one man with a hyperactive child who says they've taken him off medication and put him on this stuff." says Julie.

This stuff means no white sugar, processed foods, or meat. In effect, a parva truck!

The truck and its wares are gaining acceptance. "People come and ask for a soft drink. We ask them to try one of our juices instead. Invariable they return a few days later for a sandwich or a bran muffin," says Julie.

"It takes a while for people to become used to a truck no matter what's on it. They have to know we'll be there regularly so a loyalty can be developed."

One regular spot has been Harbourfront on Sundays. "We were very lucky. The property manager saw us parked illegally. We chatted about food for a while, then he offered us the position because he agreed with what we were trying to do," says Julie.

However, their most profitable days occur at mass events such as anti-nuclear demonstrations. "Then we had 20 people lined up at any one time."

The women's day begins at 6 a.m. The truck must be cleaned and loaded. Then there are the food pickups at each of the suppliers. First are the licensed bakeries where "all our products are prepared daily from our recipes." Then it's off to the dairies, and then to Kensington Market for a selection of seasonal fruits.

"Fresh produce is important to us. Besides it looks pretty," says Julie. A bicycle is used for transportation during the day if additional supplies are needed.

"Right now that's the most tiring part of our job. Plans are under say to establish a commissary where everything will be under one roof. Traditional canteen trucks work this way," says Paula.

It takes experience to gauge the amount of food needed daily. "At the beginning we were handing out bags of leftover bagels to transients, rather than selling stale food the next day," says Paula. "Now, we have only a couple of sandwiches left instead of a few dozen."

The two women delight spotting prospective customers. "It's easy as we have the best-looking clientele. It's a matter of healthy skin and a bouncy walk. We can almost always tell by their approach as to whether or not they'll be a coffee and cigarettes person," says Julie.

So far the response to The Moveable Feast has been heartening. "We are constantly being asked to come to one or another location. There's definitely a market for this sort of canteen. We'd love to see a chain of Moveable Feasts across the city," says Paula.

But for these two, the next feast is the more permanent one of erev Yom Kippur. The women suggest a dairy meal, low in fats. "It is a myth that if you eat a large amount the night before it will make the fast easier. In fact, the opposite occurs. As well, break the fast sparingly, beginning with fruit. I guess our way is not exactly traditional," Paula advises.

"But whatever your tradition, it is better for the body and the soul to eat simply, with love and an awareness of what's occurring in your body," says Julie.

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1:30 p.m. — DR. MOSES D. TENDLER, author and editor of *Medical Ethics,* will speak on **The Conflict Between Biology and Religion.** Sponsored by the Ontario Chapter, Women's Branch of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America and Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Women's Organization of Toronto. **$3.50**

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10

10:00 a.m. — HELEN WEINZWEIG, author of *Basic Black with Pearls,* will speak on **Mid-Life Fantasies. Free.**

1:30 p.m. — ERIC KOCH, author of *Deemed Suspect,* will speak on **Jewish Refugees Behind Canadian Barbed Wire (1940-1943).** Sponsored by the Association of Jewish Seniors. **$1.50**

8:30 p.m. — MORDECAI RICHLER, author of *Joshua Then and Now* will speak on **You Only Succeed If You Fail.** Sponsored by Pioneer Women Na'amat — Toronto Council. **$3.50**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

10:00 a.m. — BARBARA AMIEL, author of *Confessions* will speak on **Confessions I Never Made.** Sponsored by Pride of Israel Synagogue. **Free.**

1:30 p.m. — JUDY BLUME, author of *Wifey* and *Forever,* will speak on **Writing About Sex and Emotions for Young People.** Sponsored by National Council of Jewish Women — Toronto Section. **$3.50.**

8:30 p.m. — AMOS OZ, author of *My Michael,* will speak on **Being An Israeli Author.** Sponsored by Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation, Friends of Pioneering Israel and Secular Jewish Association. **$3.50.**

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10:00 a.m. — HOWARD ENGEL, author of *Suicide Murders,* will speak on **The Mystery Genre in Canada. Free.**

1:30 p.m. — HERBERT GOLD, author of *Fathers* and *He/She,* will speak on **Writing About Us.** Sponsored by the Ontario Branch - Women's League for Conservative Judaism. **$3.50**

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65-year-old wins tennis tournament

By SUSAN LAZARUS

MONTREAL — With the body of a 40-year-old and the spirit of a teenager, 65-year-old tennis champion and former Alouettes football player Joey Richman can put all of out-of-condition armchair sport stars to shame.

Richman, who recently won the Canadian Open Senior Tennis Championship in two categories, age 60 and over and age 65 and over, and who recently won the finals in the Mount Avila Tennis Tournament in his age category, sees nothing particularly unusual in his energy and ability.

Narrowing down his philosophy of successful sports competition to three Ds (desire, determination and dedication), and his dietary habits to three B (broiled, boiled or baked), Richman listed his sports affiliations over the past four decades.

He began playing tennis about 35 years ago and is rated number two in Quebec for his age category. During the late 1940s, undoubtedly chosen for speed rather than brawn (he is short and slender), Richman was a halfback ("a scared halfback more accurately describes it") for the Montreal Alouettes and in the early 1940s played in the air force Grey Cup.

Not only active on the football field and tennis court, Richman was a track man who coached the Canadian track team in Finland in 1952 as well as various men's and women's teams. He both played and coached basketball for the YM-YWHA (coaching championship teams in 1950 and 1957) and was a Golden Glove in boxing. Richman has also played some baseball and took up skiing about 15 years ago.

As a natural progression in his sports career, Richman became active in the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association and since 1950 has been the "right hand man" to Fred Oberlander, founder of the association.

Until this year, Richman was also the chairman of the selection committee for the Maccabiah and was captain of the Canadian Maccabiah team in Israel.

The Maccabiah, held every four years, will take place in Israel July 1981, and says Richman, "will embody the best Jewish athletes throughout the free world.

"The Maccabiah is an international event which brings Jewish athletes together to participate in highly skilled competition," Richman said. "It is unfortunate that the Maccabiah is not quite as respected as it should be; it needs more and better public relations."

As a sports enthusiast, Richman is a firm advocate of organized competition, and believes that a sportswoman is as much a result of backbreaking and often heartbreaking work as a natural talent.

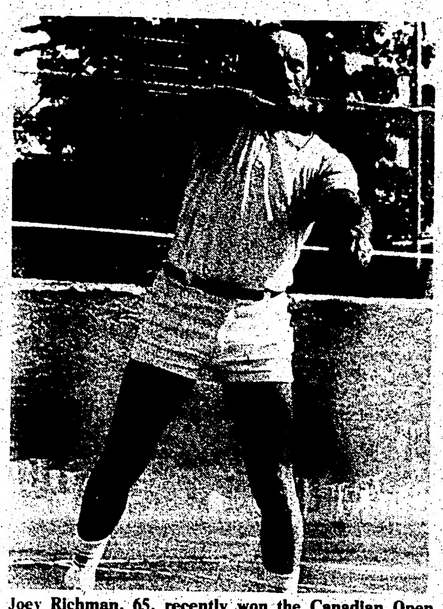
"Although a great athlete must be born with an innate talent, this talent will not result in medals and victories without a tremendous amount of practice and work," he noted.

Richman is also highly critical of parents who push their children into competition against their will and in the process often take away the love of sports for sports' sake.

"I see what parents do to their children and it just makes me ill," Richman said. "I raised two children (sons Mark and Steve) and although I exposed them to sports and they enjoyed it, I never forced them into anything."

Richman was not reticent about discussing the boycott of the Moscow Olympics which he termed a "political game."

"At the beginning," he said, "I had mixed emotions; as an athlete I empathized with athletes who spent years training but I also believed that to boycott the Olympics was the right move.



Joey Richman, 65, recently won the Canadian Open Senior Tennis Championship.

World in Hebrew

By JOSEPH KLINGER

עובדתון: מכון קרן התורבות

פיתוח הגליל ואיכלוסו:
בהוצאת אגף ההסברה של הקרן הקיימת לישראל.

הגליל העליון הוא איזור המשוע לפיתוח ולתוספת משמעותית של אוכלוסייה חדשה. בשנת 1974 היו בגליל ס"ה 288,000 תושבים מהם 166,000 לא-יהודים ורק 72,000 יהודים. נוסף על כך התגוררו באותה שנה בשולי הגליל פרברי חיפה, עכו ושפרעם כ-50,000 לא-יהודים. בעיות היסוד של חבל ארץ זה לא נשתנו מאז ראשית עצמאותה של ישראל ואפשר לומר כי הן היו קיימות גם בתקופת המנדט ובימי השלטון העותומאני. בתחילת שנות החמישים נעשו ה-נסיונות הראשונים לשנות את פני המציאות בגליל. באותם ימים הופנה לשם זרם גדול של עולים שרבים מהם הובאו אל ביתם החדש הישר מן האניה. תוך חודשים מספר צצו בצפונה של הארץ י-סובים חדשים שכונו בשם "כפרי עבודה". נזכיר את עבדון, מרגל-יות, שגב, אבן מנחם, שלומי ו-עוד. כן הונחו יסודות לעיירות הפיתוח מעלות, חצור וקרית ש-מונה. העולים החדשים שבאו ב-עיקר מארצות אפריקה ואסיה היו חסרי ידע מקצועי בתחום החקל-אות. לכן הועסקו בעיקר בעבודות ייעור והכשרת קרקע. ואולם, יישובים אלה לא התפתחו כראוי וברובם מהם נוצרה שכבה חברתית שלא השכילה להסתגל לתנאי-החיים הקשים. באמצע שנות הששים נעשה נסיון נוסף לפתח את הגליל ו-בעיקר אמורים הדברים לגבי חלקו המרכזי. תכנית זו שהוצעה ע"י ראשי הקהק"ל, נקראה אז בשם סו"ס - רמז לשטחים החבי-ידיים שבהם אפשר לעבור רק על גבו של סוס או - סוף סוף הגיע תור איכלוסו של איזור שומם זה. ראש הממשלה דאז, לוי אשכול המנוח, אימץ את התכנית שבמסגרתה ע-תידים היו לקום למעלה מעשרה ישובים ומרכזים כפריים. ואולם רק השלב הראשון של התכנית בוצע במלואו; חמש נקודות חדשות הוקמו בגליל המרכזי - זרעית, נטועה, שתולה, בירנית וחזון. כן נפרצו דרכי גישה ופולס כביש בטחון לאורך הגבול עם הלבנון. ברם, מלחמת ששת הימים קטעה את תנופת הפיתוח והתכנירת להמשכו הוקפאו. בשנים האחרונות חלה הרעה נוספת בכל אותם תחומים ש-התכנית הקודמת נועדה לקדמם וכלל נדרשה בדיקה מחודשת של המצב והכנת תכנית פיתוח מקיפה לאיזור הגליל ההרוי. התכנית נועדה לשפר את מצבו של האיזור באמצעות הגברת המאמץ הכלכלי, העלאת רמתם של השירותים ה-שונים לאוכלוסייה והעמקת הרווחה החברתית. התכנית הכו-ללת לפיתוח הגליל ויישובו הוכנה על ידי גורמים ממשלתיים וציבוריים. התכנית מתייחסת בעיקר לסקטור היהודי, אולם אין היא מתעלמת גם מן הסקטור הערבי. אין ספק כי פיתוח הגליל יהיה לטובת כל תושביו, יהודים ולא-יהודים ויעלה את המת-חייהם במידה ניכרת. יצויין כי ביצועה של התכנית יהיה כרוך בהפקעת קרקעות אך זו תיעשה רק במידה מזעירית, למטרות החיו-ניות ביותר. זאת ועוד: השטחים המיועדים להפקעה הינם טרשיים ואינם ניתנים לעיבוד חקלאי.

חלקה של הקהק"ל:

הקהק"ל לא חסכה מאמצים לפתח את הגליל כל אימת שנדרשה לעשות כן. היא מלווה חבל ארץ זה ע-שרות בשנים והיתה תמיד מוכנה להטות שכם לכל מפעל שנועד לקידומו. גם בתקופות שזרקורי ההתעניינות הציבורית הוסטו מן הגליל לאיזורים אחרים, הוסיפה הקהק"ל לעסוק במלאכתה. בתקופה שלאחר מלחמת ששת הימים לא זנחה הקרן ישובים כפריים ותיקים שסבלו ממחסור בקרקע ראוייה ל-עיבוד. הרחבת ההשתית המשקית והשיכונית וכן הבדלת המשבצת החקלאית עד ל-5 דונאם למשפחה עמדו בראש מעייניה של הקרן. הקהק"ל הציבה לעצמה מטרה לסייע לאותם ישובים הרריים בגליל שבגלל מחסור חמור בקרקע אינם מסוגלים להגיע לרמת חיים ול-הכנסות המקובלות בין ישובי השפלה. פעולות הפיתוח בישובי הגליל כללו בעיקר יצירת תשתית משקית (התקנת משטחים להקמת בולים, רפתות ובנייני משק).

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Nearly one million Jews expelled from Arab lands

What about reparation for Jewish refugees?

By DONALD CARR

Twentieth century Jews live in a mad world, halfway between Kafka's The Trial and Catch-22.

They have witnessed the destruction of six million of their people by a lunatic force, initially tolerated by the rest of the world. Within the same generation they are becoming witnesses to another form of madness, bent upon the destruction of three million more. This new lunacy is perverting truth and justice, with a view to delegitimizing Jewish peoplehood and its state.

This time the rest of the world does not merely stand by. Through the instrumentality of a subverted United Nations or a distorted European Economic Community, the enemies are aided and abetted by the vast majority of the world's nations.

It is perhaps futile to try to ascribe motivations to the actions of those various countries. Whether it is the blackmail of Arab oil which causes the otherwise-civilized Western nations to join the onslaught, or Arab monies which spur the "emerging" nations to side with them, or Islamic "resurgence" which cements them in their hatred for Israel, it is clear that sanity has disappeared.

In a world of diminishing democracies, Israel stands out as a beacon in the Middle East. But to no avail. The totalitarians can automatically garner 112 votes for a resolution demanding Israel surrender lands occupied in 1967 and endorsing a Palestinian Arab state, as they did on July 29.

Israel is lucky to get six votes, including its own, and must watch the dismal performance of the European Common Market countries making their spineless abstentions.

Scenes from Kafka

Kafka would have been able to make much of the nightmare quality of what has unfolded since 1948.

In the context of world acceptance of facts turned upside-down we have seen:

• *Two "legal" partitions of Palestine.* In 1922, 80% of British mandated Palestine was carved out to make a Palestinian Arab state, then known as Transjordan (now known as Jordan). Again, in 1947, a second Arab state was created by the UN Partition Plan — accepted by Israel, but rejected by the Arab states.

• *The creation of a "people."* The inhabitants, or former inhabitants, of a miniscule part of the partitioned land, regarded by most Arabs, including themselves, only as part of Greater Arabia and by Syrians as southern Syria, became converted into a "nation." This did not occur during the 19 years that the land originally allocated to them by the UN was occupied by invading Jordanian and Egyptian forces, but became a "reality" after Israel entered those territories to beat back the attacking Arab enemies.

• *The obscene equating of Zionism with racism and the glorification of the PLO at the UN.* This band of terrorists — still intent on the destruction of a people and of a state — has now been given virtual governmental status at the United Nations and in all of its agencies, offshoots and conferences. To cap it all, its leader Arafat is welcomed as a hero at the Moscow Olympics, just a few short years after the massacre at Munich Olympics.

• *The description as "Nazi-like" of what is probably the most benevolent and enlightened military occupation in history.*

These aberrations have occurred through a carefully designed, financed and orchestrated propaganda and economic blackmail program.

One other distortion, however, has resulted from a wall of silence. The Arabs have readily acceded to this silence. But it is upon ourselves and our leadership throughout the world that the blame must fall, for keeping the rest of the world and our own people in ignorance.

While much has been made of the Palestinian Arab refugees, nothing — or virtually nothing — has been heard of a parallel problem, as great in numbers and in physical hardship, but far greater in terms of loss of material possessions and persecution. That is the problem of Jewish refugees from Arab countries.

Because of the determined efforts of the Arab countries to perpetuate the status of their brothers as refugees, they have succeeded in fostering world sympathy. This was achieved by herding them into refugee camps, denying them the right or ability to create new lives for themselves, insisting that they, their children and now their grandchildren, continue to remain on the relief rolls of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) and, latterly, as the PLO has grown, by maintaining them in camps intermingled with terrorist training bases.

Notwithstanding the callous and deliberate creation by the Arab states of a refugee problem, which could have been easily solved by them, the rest of the world has felt pity. Instead of insisting that the Arab states do something, they have insisted that Israel provide the remedy. This does not mean compensating the refugees. It means taking them back into a state which they have sworn to destroy, or permitting them to create a state which will clearly be directed by the PLO and will form a base for terrorist actions against Israel and its ultimate destruction.

Shorn of all their possessions, Jewish refugees seek refuge from the rain and mud in worn-out army tents.

The Palestinian Arab refugees constitute less than 1% of the entire Middle East Arab population. They have always been and are now in an environmnet which has the same language, religion, tradition and lifestyle. The Arab from Haifa or Nablus is no different from one who lives in Amman. Jordan's present prime minister is a Palestinian.

As late as March, 1977 Zuhair Mohsin, the leader of the PLO terrorist group known as "as-Saiqa," stated: "There is in fact not a separate Palestinian people. Jordanians, Palestinians, Syrians and Lebanese do not differ. We are part of a people, the Arab nation. We are one people, only for political reasons we carefully stress our Palestinian identity. For it is in the national interest of the Arabs to encourage the Palestinian existence against Zionism. Yes, the existence of a separate Palestinian identity serves only tactical reasons. The foundation of a Palestinian state is a new tool to continue to battle against Israel and for Arab unity."

That notwithstanding, none of the Arab host countries, with the exception of Jordan, offered citizenship to the refugees. All UN proposals since 1949 for resettlement of the refugees have been rejected by the Arabs.

While controversy exists over the exact number of Arab refugees (an official census was never permitted by Arab administrators in charge of refugee camps), it is generally accepted that there were in 1948 between 500,000 and 650,000 Arabs who left what became Israel. In 1967, another 250,000 were reported as being refugees as a consequence of the Six Day War. Therefore, approximately 750,000 to 900,000 Arabs were displaced during the two periods of battle.

UNRWA has shown strikingly higher figures. This has resulted from the addition of offspring and children of offspring and the non-reporting of deaths. At one time the statistical discrepancy of UNRWA's figures was so high that it was forced to delete over 425,000 names from its records.

Brothers' keepers?

UNRWA has spent almost $1.4 billion from May, 1950 to date on the maintenance of Arab refugees (of which some 70% comes from the United States). The 22 independent Arab states combined have contributed less than 5% of this amount, while their oil revenues have reached hundreds of billions of dollars.

In contrast, Israel has contributed nearly $10 million to UNRWA — that is one-third more than the total contribution of Kuwait, two-thirds more than Egypt, twice the contributions of Jordan, three and one-half times that of Syria and almost seven times that of Iraq.

The hidden, unfamiliar story is that of the Jews who became refugees from Arab countries.

The history of persecution of Jews in Arab countries goes back to the seventh century. As Dhimmis (non-Moslem "people of the Covenant"), they were subjected to regulations over the centuries. During some periods, the imposition of these regulations was less severe than others, but at all times the Jews lived in intolerable circumstances.

Prohibitions against them included the building of houses higher than Moslems, the riding of horses, praying, mourning or burying their dead in a way which might be "offensive" to Moslems, the drinking of wine in public, the bearing of arms, the acceptance of their oath in a Moslem court. It was not the Nazis who invented the wearing of a distinctive patch for Jews. As early as the ninth century they were required to wear different colored clothing, ropes instead of a belt, yellow patches, distinctive turbans or odd colored shoes.

Destruction and seizure of Jewish property, as well as murder and physical attacks were common throughout the centuries. Ransom was demanded and crippling taxes were imposed.

Any suggestion, therefore, that Arab oppression of Jews was brought about by political Zionism or the creation of the State of Israel is a myth.

Senator Lowell Weicker, in a speech to the American-Israel Public Affairs Committee in Washington on May 8, 1979, referred to the increasing frequency with which the Arab states argue that the Palestinians are being made to suffer for an event (the Holocaust) in which they played no part.

While at first glance that may seem to be a compelling argument, Senator Weicker pointed out that it was essential to counter the argument. "It is important that the victims of centuries of Arab pogoms be given a voice at last, and that the Americans be told that while Jews were murdered or looted or dispossessed in Russia, Latvia, Lithuania, the Ukraine, Poland and Germany, their brothers and sisters suffered a similar fate in Egypt and Syria and Iraq and Libya and elsewhere in the Arab world. **Americans do not know that for every Palestinian refugee there is a Jewish refugee from an Arab land equally impoverished, equally dispossessed. These refugees don't bomb buses and murder school children and hijack planes . . ."**

It must be recognized that the attitude towards the Jews subsequent to the Balfour Declaration and at the time of the creation of Israel, changed — for the worse. Intolerance and sporadic pogroms gave way to brutal and systemic persecution, particularly in Syria, Iraq, Egypt and Libya. Public executions were commonplace. Hate campaigns in the press and mass media, sometimes controlled by Arab governments and always encouraged by them, accompanied this set of circumstances.

With the Arab invasion of the new State of Israel, mass arrests, interrogation and beatings took place in Iraq, Egypt and Syria. Riots broke out in Morocco, Algeria, Libya, Tunisia, Yemen and Aden. Civil rights were suspended.

During the UN debate in 1947, the head of the Egyptian delegation declared: "The lives of a million Jews in Moslem countries will be jeopardized by the establishment of the Jewish state." The chairman of the Palestinian Arab Higher Executive stated: "If a Jewish state were established in Palestine, the position of the Jews in the Arab countries would become very precarious. Governments have always been unable to prevent mob excitement and violence."

As a result, over 750,000 Jews were compelled to flee the lands where their communities had existed for centuries prior to the birth of Mohammed and the Moslem conquest . . . where they had always formed a part of the indigenous population.

Left behind were communal properties, schools, synagogues and most of their precious contents. Homes and businesses which had not been confiscated were abandoned. Mordechai Ben Porat, former deputy speaker of the Kenesset, and now chairman of the World Organization for Jews from Arab Countries (WOJAC) — himself a refugee from Iraq — says "the landholdings that Jews were forced to abandon in the Arab countries constituted 3% of all of the Arab world's vast territory. This is far more than the entire State of Israel and the administered territories."

The Jewish population in Arab countries estimated in 1948 at some 856,000 dwindled to some 25,000.

Where did they go?

Israel was a natural refuge for the majority. Some were able to get there independently. Others were part of a massive rescue mission organized by local communities as well as Israeli authorities.

The populations of Yemen and Iraq were airlifted to Israel between 1948 and 1951. Some 586,000 Jews from Arab countries arrived in Israel between May of 1948 and May of 1972. The balance found their way to France, England, the United States, South America and Canada.

The Jews who arrived in Israel came to a country lacking in natural resources, poor, burdened with economic difficulties and under attack by neighboring Arab countries.

The bulk of the Jews then living in Israel were of European-Ashkenazi origin. All they had in common with the refugees from the Arab countries was their religion and the need to survive.

Isreal did not turn to the United Nations or UNRWA. With the assistance of world Jewry, everything that was possible was done to give Jewish refugees equal opportunity, resettlement and absorption.

The problem was gigantic. No other country in history ever attempted such a monumental task and with so little resources available.

Between 1948 and 1951 immigrants numbered almost the same as the total polulation of the new state at its creation in 1948.

The process of trying to integrate the new immigrants created great suffering. They were originally housed in ma'abaro. (transit camps) where thousands clustered in a small space, sheltered by huts and tents, and even cardboard shacks. Hunger, disease and illness were common.

Dr. Maurice M. Roumani of Ben-Gurion University and formerly secretary-general of WOJAC quotes an account in his book "The Case of the Jews from Arab Countries: A Neglected Issue:"

Drenched in tents

"The great majority of them (immigrants from Arab countries) were housed in tents which were drenched from above and flooded from below during the heavy rains of the winter of 1949-50. The original plan called for a sojourn of a few weeks only in the immigrants' camps, after which each immigrant was to be sent to a permanent place of settlement. Actually, however, in view of the large number of immigrants, the rate of evacuation from the camps lagged behind the rate at which the new immigrants were brought into Israel, and the period of sojourn in the camps was prolonged from threee months to four months to six months to eight months ...

"One of the main immigrants' reception camps was that of Rosh Ha'ayin, in which, at the height of its occupancy in 1950, there were some 15,000 Yemenite Jewish immigrants. They were all lodged in tents, 15 of them in each tent. The few buildings in the camp were used to house the hospital and the clinics, the babies' homes, the kitchen and dining room, and the school.

"When the immigrants arrived, many of them were very weak. Mortality was high, and as many as 20 deaths occurred daily. In this respect a definite improvement was noticeable very soon, mortality decreased."

Over a period of years the camps were cleared, settlement towns were built and the refugees moved into existing cities, towns and settlements.

It must be admitted — 30 years later — that the absorption and resettlement of those refugees was not an unqualified success.

The slums and depressed areas of Israel today, the over-crowding and lack of housing, the social problems, indeed the need for Project Renewal to upgrade the quality of life in Israel, are all direct outgrowths of the exodus of the Jews from the Arab countries. They and their offspring now form approximately 41% of the population of Israel. When taking into account the immigration from Middle Eastern countries which are non-Arab — such as Iran and Turkey — the present population of Jews from the Middle East and their descendants are the majority in the state today.

Jewish refugees from Arab lands, many previously men of wealth, now wait for their meals in pre-settlement camps.

Jews of Beirut, a century ago.

In the exchange of population between Jews and Arabs in the Middle East since 1948, the Jewish side has suffered the heavier damage. The wealth abandoned by Jews in the Arab lands surpasses many times the property left behind by Arabs in Israel. The social losses and the religious treasures and facilities which Jews were compelled to leave behind them also exceed that of the Palestinian Arabs.

Resolution 242 of the United Nations Security Council, which is the foundation stone for settlement of the Arab-Israel conflagration includes in Paragraph 2 the affirmation of "the necessity ..... for achieving a just settlement of the refugee problem;...".

Note the expression "the refugee problem", *not* "the Arab refugee problem."

The Camp David peace treaty provides in Article VIII, "the Parties agree to establish a claims commission for the mutual settlement of all financial claims."

Thus, almost unobtrusively, the key documents relating to peace in the Middle East make provision for consideration and settlement of claims which may be made by Jewish refugees from Arab countries and not merely by Palestinian Arab refugees.

Why have the Jews from Arab countries not risen up as a group to demand their rights to compensation from those countries which they were forced to flee and where they left behind millions of dollars of personal possessions and property?

By and large, they are an extremely proud group of people. They do not want to be classed as refugees. They stress the fact that they became integrated into the population of Israel and that it was their own people who supported them and they have never looked for handouts.

Although WOJAC has endeavored to enlist support for its campaign on behalf of Jews from Arab countries, there has been non systematic or organized tabulation of claims of those Jews whose property was confiscated or left behind when they fled, nor a tabulation of compensation which could be claimed for imprisonment, harassment, torture, nor an inventory of still existing Jewish assets of spiritual, cultural or religious significance which should be returned to their rightful owners.

Only lip service has been paid, from time to time, by Jewish organizations in the Diaspora to this problem. Ben-Porat was a member of the Israel delegation to the United Nations in late 1977 and early 1978 at its 32nd General Assembly. He spoke to the assembly on the rights of Jews who fled from Arab countries. In the US-Israel working paper on the Geneva Conference in 1977 a passage was deovted to this issue and stated "in any discussion of reparations for the refugees, Israel will raise the question of reparations for Jewish refugees from Arab lands, and insist that all their claims be settled within the framework of the final peace agreement."

President Carter, at a press conference on Oct. 27, 1977, said: "Yes, the Palestinians have rights .... it is evident that there are also Jewish refugees .... who have the same rights as others do ....".

Notwithstanding these statements, very little has been done in world Jewish organizations with respect to the rightful claims on the part of Jews who were forced to leave the Arab countries or the pitiful plight of those who still remain as hostage communities in countries such as Syria where emigration is prohibited, beatings, arrests, rape and looting are virtually an every day occurrence and where the Jewish population is threatened with annihilation.

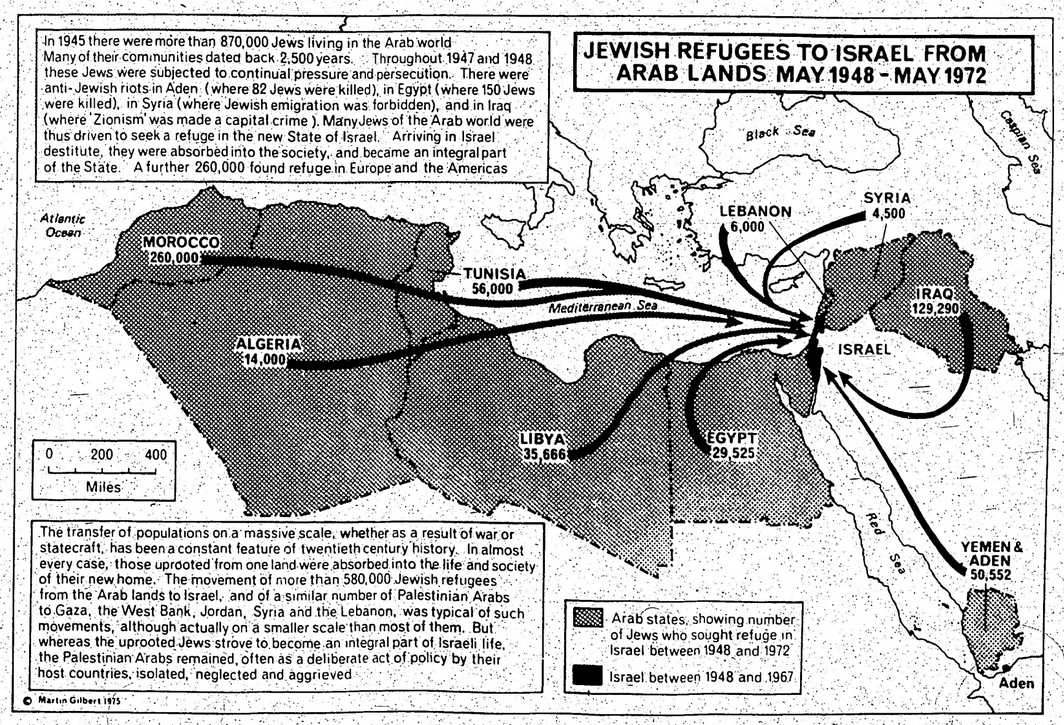
World Jewish Congress seems to ignore this issue on each agenda, does not publicize it and has not seen fit to create any committee to deal with it.

Canadian Jewish Congress has for the past several years had a National Committee for Jews from Arab Countries. A handful of dedicated workers in this cause are responsible for its perpetuation. However, on the scale of Congress' priorities, it does not appear to loom very large and few reports have been asked for by the national officers or the national executive.

No Holocaust Memorial program, no Holocaust studies course tells the story of death and pillage of the Jews of the Middle East.

Malka Shulewitz of Jerusalem, the coordinator of the Israel Academic Committee for the Middle East and avid spokesman for the cause of Jewish refugees from Arab countries, stated at the May, 1980 Congress plenary assembly in Toronto that, with all the world clamor for Palestinian Arab "rights," it was time the world heard about valid, urgent Jewish rights. She, Ben Porat, WOJAC and their constituency are determined this should come about.

But if the Jews are ignorant about this situation, how can the rest of the world be expected to know about it and to be sympathetic to it?


In 1945 there were more than 870,000 Jews living in the Arab world
Many of their communities dated back 2,500 years. Throughout 1947 and 1948 these Jews were subjected to continual pressure and persecution. There were anti-Jewish riots in Aden (where 82 Jews were killed), in Egypt (where 150 Jews were killed), in Syria (where Jewish emigration was forbidden), and in Iraq (where 'Zionism' was made a capital crime). Many Jews of the Arab world were thus driven to seek a refuge in the new State of Israel. Arriving in Israel destitute, they were absorbed into the society, and became an integral part of the State. A further 260,000 found refuge in Europe and the Americas
JEWISH REFUGEES TO ISRAEL FROM ARAB LANDS MAY 1948 - MAY 1972
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Caspian Sea
Atlantic Ocean
MOROCCO 260,000
TUNISIA 56,000
ALGERIA 14,000
LIBYA 35,666
EGYPT 29,525
LEBANON 6,000
SYRIA 4,500
IRAQ 129,290
ISRAEL
Mediterranean Sea
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The transfer of populations on a massive scale, whether as a result of war or statecraft, has been a constant feature of twentieth century history. In almost every case, those uprooted from one land were absorbed into the life and society of their new home. The movement of more than 580,000 Jewish refugees from the Arab lands to Israel, and of a similar number of Palestinian Arabs to Gaza, the West Bank, Jordan, Syria and the Lebanon, was typical of such movements, although actually on a smaller scale than most of them. But whereas the uprooted Jews strove to become an integral part of Israeli life, the Palestinian Arabs remained, often as a deliberate act of policy by their host countries, isolated, neglected and aggrieved
Arab states, showing number of Jews who sought refuge in Israel between 1948 and 1972
Israel between 1948 and 1967
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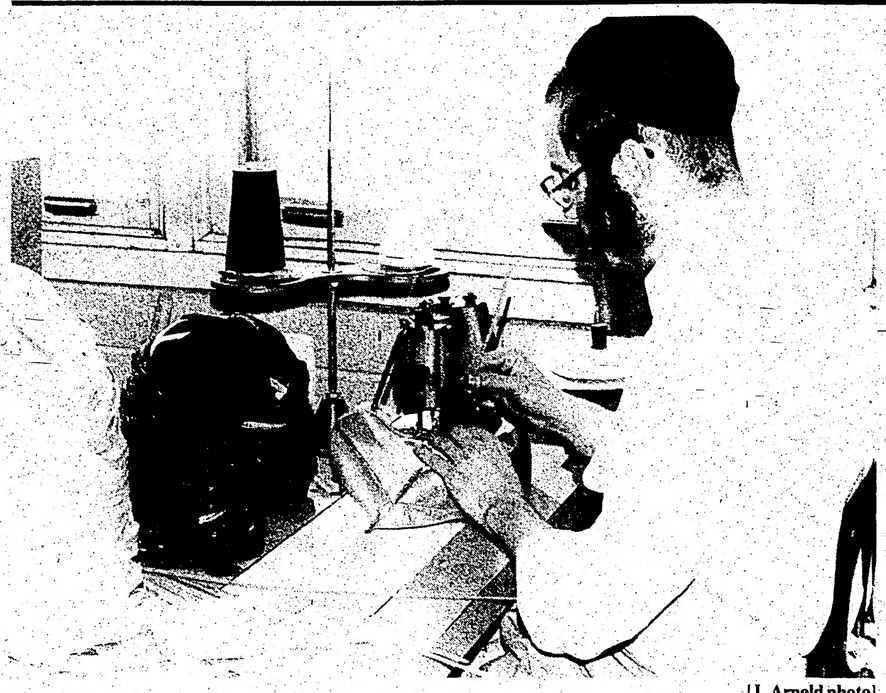
RECENT FLIGHTS AND EXPULSIONS

Map describes the flights and expulsions of Jews from Arab lands between May 1948 and May 1972. Map and all illustrations on this page courtesy of "Jews of Arab Lands," by Martin Gilbert.



[J. Arnold photo]

Meyer Rosenberg adds finishing touches to a yarmulke. He is Canada's leading yarmulke supplier.

Manufacturer produces thousands of yarmulkes

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — The phone rings. The nervous man at the other end asks if he can have 20 dozen white satin kipot by next week — he is having a big wedding and forgot about them until the last minute.

No problem for 26-year-old Meyer Rosenberg, the largest manufacturer of yarmulkes in Canada and probably the only one producing them in such volume. Literally, millions of yarmulkes each year are manufactured by Isaac Skull Cap Company — all hand-made by him and by the few people he employs, who work from their homes.

Most of his orders are actually much bigger — supplying in the hundreds of dozens at a time the yarmulkes that eventually reach synagogues, funeral parlors, schools and stores as far away as Vancouver. Chances are the yarmulkeds you see in your synagogue this Rosh Hashanah came from the little, one-room factory on Jean Talon St. near Park Ave.

He is a hassid from New York City. He came to Montreal six years ago, finished his yeshiva studies and, two years later at the age of 22, with only an old-fashioned foot-pedalled sewing machine and some factory floor space, established the company.

Now that space is piled to the ceiling with cartons of yarmulkes, almost 4,000 dozen on this particular day. But this does not give an accurate picture of the turnover. "If I brought everything here that is produced in one day there would not be enough space," he said. The weeks leading to the High Holidays are a busy time, and so is the spring before the spate of June weddings.

Rosenberg makes four types of Yarmulkes: satin, lined and unlined; corduroy and, the most expensive, velvet. Gold or silver trim can be added, as well as gold printing to mark special occasions. Covered buttons on the top, once popular, are in less demand nowadays, Rosenberg noted.

White, brown, and royal blue are the most popular colors, in that order, with wine a distant fourth. "It depends on what the current fashion is," he explained.

Less conservative colors are available too. Maybe once a year I get an order for pink caps, usually for a bar mitzvah, says the man who wears only a black velvet yarmulke himself — 24 hours a day, except in the shower.

"It doesn't matter whether you wear the cap on the top of the head or the back, the important thing is to remember that God is always above you," he said.

His yarmulkes are all one size, made up from four triangular sections, except the velvets, which have six.

He is proud of the care that goes into the sewing of each and every yarmulke, unlike in New York — the U.S. yarmulke — making centre, where they are mass produced to accommodate the much larger market.

"A lot of work goes into each cap. The pieces must be cut and sewn together for the outside and the lining, a stiffener is put between them, and then binding is sewn around the edge to give it a neat finish," said the man who taught himself the craft.

He is also accepting special orders from hassidim for custom-sized, longer wearing yarmulkes in velvet or taffeta, in black only, of course. "Although the velvet is nicer looking, the taffeta wears better and doesn't fray so easily at the seams."

The fancy embroidered and crocheted yarmulkes are not practical to make here from a business point of view, he said, although he does import some from Israel. Recently, he expanded his production to tallisim, tefillen bags and women's lace head coverings.

He likes the peace of mind that is found in a one-man operation. "It's quiet, no one is bossing me, I'm not bossing anyone, I don't have to watch the clock like in a big factory.

"Most of all, I make yarmulkes so that people will have them; if it was a big business more people would be doing it, but I make a living and I'm satisfied," said Rosenberg already the father of three.

Jewish war veterans holding memorial service on Sept. 7

Jewish war veterans will hold a memorial service at the cenotaph in the veterans' section of Mount Sinai Cemetery on Sunday, Sept. 7 at 11 a.m. The service will follow the annual memorial parade which will start at 10.30 a.m. at Winston Park Plaza [Lady York and Wilson]. The event is sponsored by the General Wingate Branch [256] of the Royal Canadian Legion in association with the Jewish War Veterans of Canada [Toronto Post].

The cenotaph was erected last year by the General Wingate Branch so that families of Jewish servicemen who were killed or missing in action will have a tombstone at which they can pay their respects to the dead and say kaddish.

VIPs on the reviewing stand next to the cenotaph will include: Most Rev. Leonard J. Wall, representing G. Emmett Cardinal Carter; Metro Board of Commissioners of Police, Phil Givens; Ald. Norm Gardner, representing the City of North York; Metro Police Deputy Chief Harry Fielding; Commander A. G. Lowe, Canadian forces; Senator David A. Croll, national commander of Jewish War Veterans of Canada; Ben Dunkelman; chaplain, Rabbi J. Emmanuel Schochet; two representatives mfrom the Royal Canadian Legion; and Hon. John Roberts, federal minister of the environment.

After wreaths are laid by representatives from the Province of Ontario, the Royal Canadian Legion, a Silver Cross mother or family, an Auschwitz survivor and the Machel [Canadians who fought in the Israel War of Independence], the shofar will be sounded.

According to records of the Canadian Jewish Congress, there were over 16,883 Canadian Jewish servicemen in World War II. The recorded casualties were 420 killed, died, missing and presumed dead; 334 wounded; and 85 prisoners-of-war.

For more information on the service contact any of the following: parade marshal Irving Greenberg [221-9622]; Sydney Sears [789-2103] or Sydney Fromkin [783-8392].

A memorial service will be held at the Jewish war veterans' cenotaph on Sunday, Sept. 7 at 11 a.m.

Ungerman roast raises $250,000 for Reena

By MURRAY MALKIN

TORONTO — The O'Keefe Centre didn't have many empty seats recently when a couple of thousand of Irving Ungerman's friends showed up to see him honored (er . . . roasted) by the master of the put down, Don Rickles.

The affair was in aid of the Reena Foundation which raised $250,000 at the event to help in the construction of the Irving Ungerman Sports Centre at the Reena summer camp for the mentally handicapped.

Much of the Rickles humor, which at its best is crude and insulting, had the audience howling with laughter. But when it was time to lace into Irving, Rickles became fairly tame and Ungerman, a well known fight man, came away unscratched.

At one time during the show few people were laughing at the jokes so Rickles commented: "Irving Ungerman must have let a lot of stiffs in tonight. Irving is the guy who is walking down the aisle saying I hope they recognize me."

The official roasting of Ungerman was saved until the final few minutes of the show when Rickles called the guest of honor on stage. Ungerman got a standing ovation from the crowd — something Rickles didn't receive — when he came on stage.

Rickles told Irving: You've done a lot for sports in Canada . . . the whole balcony has rifles." Not exactly funny stuff, but that was about as tough as the comic (?) was on Ungerman.

Earlier in the program Rickles took a few shots at some of the Toronto celebrities in the audience. He said Metro Chairman Paul Godfrey "is one of the cheapest guys I've ever met." He called Godfrey a wishful thinker "because he thinks the cellar-dwelling Toronto Blue Jays are going to finish second in the American League East."

He told Chief of Police Jack Ackroyd that while he was sitting there laughing at the jokes, everybody in the Toronto hotels was being robbed.

Rickles' remark for North York Mayor Mel Lastman: "You look like a float in the Easter Parade."

About the only smart man there was Judge Phil Givens. When Rickles called his name ne never stood up. Rickles assumed Givens had left early and said: "Phil's in the lobby and says he doesn't want to pay money to see that guy."

When the show was finally over there was a reception for those who paid $250 for tickets. Rickles spoke briefly there, coming across as a very humble man. He said what Irving had done and what all the others there had done was a mitzvah because they had helped Reena.

Then Rickles told those in the gathering to visit Israel "because it is such a great country."

He stayed for a quick picture-taking session and then fled to a hallway filled with his adoring fans. Nobody.

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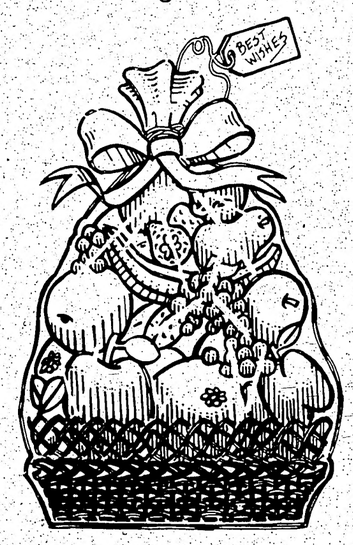

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Israeli physician-researchers developing way of storing blood

By SUSAN LAZARUS

MONTREAL — Successfully storing fresh whole blood for more than a few days is a problem medical scientists around the world having been working on for years.

It just may be two Israeli doctors and researchers — Naomi Myerstein and Alexander Devilansky — who will ultimately find the solution.

Drs. Myerstein and Devilansky, colleagues at the Soroka Medical Centre of Ben Gurion University are among other things, working to find a way to store fresh blood for long periods without freezing or adding chemicals.

"We are trying to discover what it is that changes the properties of whole blood when it is stored without being frozen," explained Dr. Myerstein, who was here to attend an international conference on hematology. "When we can isoate the phenomena, we can then work on increasing storage time."

Up to now, Dr. Myerstein said, fresh blood is good for only a few days before it becomes unusable; when the blood is treated with ACD (acid, sodium nitrate and dextrose) it is good for up to 21 days, still not very long.

Freezing blood has been one answer to the problem of storage, says Dr. Myerstein.

"Frozen blood can be kept for years but for freezing, something like an anti-freeze must be added. The process of freezing is expensive and, as well, frozen blood must be thawed before it can be used. This is a problem in a medical emergency or a disaster."

The Soroka Medical Centre is based in Beersheva and is the newest medical facility in Israel. With 800 beds, it serves the needs of the entire southern portion of the state. This coming November, the medical school will graduate its first class.

Accompanying Dr. Myerstein to the recent conference were two fellow Soroka researchers, Dr. Devilansky and Prof. Avinoam Levine. Devilansky, as well as working on blood storage with Dr. Myerstein, is head of the centre's hematology service. Livne, a PhD and professor of biochemistry at BGU, is researching the interaction of viruses with platelets.

Dr. Naomi Myerstein is an Israeli researcher working on blood storage.

Hematologists in Israel, as well as working on diseases such as leukemia and lymphoma, also deal with a condition unique to persons living in the Mediterranean area and inland countries such as Iran. The illness is an enzyme deficiency of the red cells.

"Research in every area is being actively pursued in Israel," Dr. Myerstein said. "Great strides are being made in diseases such as leukemia, and except for some very specialized procedures such as bone marrow transplants, we are as sophisticated there as in North America."

Although some Israeli medical researchers have complained about the lack of funding available to scientists, Dr. Myerstein and her colleagues feel lucky.

"I can't complain," Dr. Myerstein said. "Last year, for example, we received two grants — one from the ministry of health and another from the ministry of defence."

At Soroka, the doctor said, there is, as well, a special lab for experimental hematology. The lab was named for Dr. Joseph Kaufman, a pioneer Montreal hematologist with labs in the Royal Victoria and Jewish General hospitals. Dr. Kaufman's brother, Henry, and his wife, Bernice, decided to fund a similar lab in Israel.

One type of blood research being done at Soroka which would be very difficult to duplicate in North America is the study of camel's blood. "Studying camel's blood can help understand what happens to human blood just because it is so different," Dr. Myerstein noted.

The Israeli-born Dr. Myerstein grew up on a moshav and was a family practice doctor before moving into the specialized field of hematology. Originally planning to work with children with blood diseases, Dr. Myerstein found it very difficult to be constantly dealing with critically ill and dying youngsters and so moved into research.

She is married to a scientist and has four children.

Dinner for Or Haemet raises $175,000 for its building fund

By ANDREA PARKER

TORONTO — Approximately 300 people attended the first annual dinner for Or Haemet Sephardic School, which was held in Petah Tikva Synagogue last week, and helped raise close to $175,000 for the school's New building fund.

Maurice Benzacar, co-chairman of the building fund campaign and a leader in the Sephardic community, said the school currently has classes from pre-kindergarten to grade 5. Or Haemet was opened in September, 1975.

Jack Oziel, vice-president of the board of directors of the school and co-chairman of the building fund reported there are 81 students enrolled in Or Haemet (compared to 12 students when the school first opened) and he is hoping there will be 100 children by the time the current season opens.

The dinner, with opening remarks made by chairman Jacques Benquesus, provided an opportunity for members of the community to hear guest speaker Rabbi Haim Benoliel, who among his many accomplishments, was one of the founders of the only Sephardic rabbinical college in North America. He was introduced by Rabbi Amram Assayag.

Rabbi Benoliel said there has been much spoken, written, discussed and debated on the topic of Sephardic heritage, but suggested the community "should be talking about the heritage of Torah itself.

"We are the heirs of this beautiful gift," he said. "It is not ours only to enjoy, be proud of, reminded over, but ours to guarantee its perpetuation.

"When our forefathers were waiting to receive the Torah," he continued, "God asked for collateral . . . and they said 'we give you our children.' The Almighty said you've got a deal . . . If we want leaders of the Sephardic Jews who know what it means to be a Jew, and will go out to spread the light, they have to be well planted with a good foundation — an education."

When Jack Oziel later read the president's report, he listed some of the school's accomplishments, including the hiring of a Sephardic principal (Rabbi E. Afriat), additional Sephardic staff every year, regular French classes, gym for children twice a week, and teaching Mishna to grade 5 boys.

Raphael Nussbaum, consultant, added that the school has a very good remediation program for children with speech problem or with learning disabilities.

He explained that the need for the school is "that children can get the guidance from the Torah to teach (them) the true values the Torah wants us to live by."

The theme of education was also included in the speeches of Rabbi Dr. David Sabbah, Chief Rabbi of Quebec; David Rotenberg, MPP for Wilson Heights, who promised to get more aid for day schools from the Ontario government; and Herb Rosenfeld, national president of JIAS, who reminded the audienced that Jewish education and immigration are "the only means of Jewish survival."

Rabbi Irwin Witty, executive director of the Toronto Board of Jewish Education, spoke about the hundreds of youngsters from Sephardic families who have not yet joined Or Haemet and the task facing those interested in the school to "find a source of income which will enable you to go ahead."

Guest artist Joe Amar provided musical entertainment and the evening concluded with Michel Kadoch winning a trip to Israel, when his ticket was drawn by Judy Feld Carr, chairman of the National Committee for Jews in Arab Lands

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Travel

Tourists discover beauty of Negev

By BARUCH SAVILLE

TEL AVIV —
The Negev, Israel's southern desert region, is undergoing a renaissance in tourism. For many years a primary attraction for Israeli and foreign tourist alike, its position was usurped when the Sinai became accessible after the 1967 Six Day War. Now, with the Sinai being returned to the Egyptians as part of the peace treaty, the Negev is once again coming into its own.

The Negev does not conform to the general picture that one conjures up of desert terrain. In fact, it is quite the opposite, full of natural rugged beauty. Actually, the Negev boasts two distinctly different areas — the northern part, mostly prairie, and the southern sector, rough and mountainous.

These two areas are further divided into six smaller regions — the northwest coastal plain, which includes the Gaza Strip and links the coastal plain of Judea with the El Arish plain of northern Sinai; the plain of Beersheva; the Negev mountains, a region of craters and ravines; the Paran Desert, widely mentioned in the Bible for the wanderings of the Hebrews; the Arava, part of the great Syrian-African Rift and the area leading to the Red Sea port of Eilat, wherein are situated the Eilat Mountains and King Solomon's Mines.

During the Mandate period, at the time of British rule, the Negev constituted about half of what was then western Palestine. It was first opened to tourists at the beginning of the 1950s. The journey to Eilat, made mostly on dirt roads, often took 15 hours.

With the return of popularity of the Negev as a tourist site, special regions are being planned for visitors with the emphasis on a "return to nature."

The reason is already a well-known destination for birdwatchers from all over the world, who flock to the Negev to regularly observe the migration of millions of birds traveling the Negev Rift route to and from Europe.

The birds, of which 400 species are known in Israel, including some 100 indigenous varieties, have been associated with biblical Palestine for centuries and bear names such as Palestine bulbul, Palestine great tit, Arabian babbler and Dead Sea sparrow.

Frequently observed are the Egyptian vulture and quail which, together with manna, were eaten by the children of Israel during the time of the exodus from Egypt.

Doubtless the most interesting and breathtaking feature of the entire Negev is Makhtesh Ramon, a huge crater reputed to be the largest erosion-created crater in the world. The 34-kilometre long depression, with its desert flora and stark panoramas, is a geologist's paradise. It has appropriately been termed as a geological window for viewing the history of the earth's surface.

The capital of the Negev is Beersheva, the city of Abraham, also referred to as the city of the Patriarchs, lying 113 kilometres south of Tel Aviv. A sleepy Bedouin town at the time of the creation of the State of Israel, Beersheva today is a flourishing centre of over 150,000 inhabitants, replete with its own university, language study centres, biological institute, medical centre, music conservatory, the renowned Arid Zone research station and institute, museum, theatre and its own orchestra.

Beersheva, as well as nearby Arad, are ideal starting points for tours to the Dead Sea and the base of the Judean desert as well as the Qumran caves, where the famous Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered; to Jericho, the oldest city in the world, and the inspiring Masada.

Stretching down to the farthest point south, the Negev is the home of the Hai Bar Nature Reserve, a compound where animals of the Bible have again been brought together in their natural habitat. The wildlife centre, cared for by the Israel Society for the Protection of Nature, maintains over 20 field-study centres throughout Israel, some of them with simple tourist accommodations.

The Israel Nature Reserve Authority, already famous to hundreds of birdwatcher clubs, hikers and the Israel Youth Hostels Associatoin, assists in enabling the visitor who loves nature to leave the beaten track and explore the beauty of the area.

A huge safari park, planned by the NRA on an area of two million acres, is presently encountering some financial difficulties but the project, funded in part by the government, is designed to become the world's largest arid zone nature reserve and is expected eventually to attract a million visitors annually.

Israel, in its short modern history, is famous for the manner in which it has made the desert bloom. Now, it plans to retain some of that nature exactly as it was, and was intended to be.

POPULAR PAIR

Sa'ad Mortada [right], the Egyptian ambassador to Israel, is greeted by the general manager of the Tel Aviv Hilton, Dieter Huckelstein, and his wife Cecelia. The Huckesteins were recently voted Israel's most popular couple by the travel industry.

Ontario has compensation fund if agents don't deliver services

TORONTO —
If you've ever bought or sold travel services only to find out, usually at the last moment, that your advance payment doesn't necessarily mean you get the tickets, you'll be pleased to know that the provincial government is working for your protection.

The Travel Industry Compensation Fund will disperse almost $80,000 to consumers and travel sellers whose compensation claims have been approved by the board of trustees.

The board of trustees, which administers the fund, last week approved $79,290.15 in claims made by 43 consumers and 13 retail travel agents or wholesalers who paid in advance for travel services but failed to receive them.

Since the fund was set up in 1975 under The Travel Industry Act, which is under the jurisdiction of the Ontario ministry of consumer and commercial relations, more than $1 million has been dispersed. As of January, 1980, claims by consumers, retail travel agents and wholesalers totaled more than $261,000.

The compensation fund is supported by regular contributions from retail travel agents and wholesalers. Payments are made semi-annually by the participants in the fund based on their gross sales volume unless the fund contains more than $1.5 million. (The fund currently contains more than $1.7 million, which means another payment will not be required unless the fund drops below $1 million.)

Retail travel agents are required to contribute $3 for every $10,000 of gross sales and wholesalers must contribute $10 for every $10,000 or part thereof of gross sales. Newly registered agents are required to make an initial payment of $1,000 to be in good standing with the fund.

Divers provide entertainment for tourists

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

ACAPULCO, Mexico —
Acapulco, dubbed the Riviera of the West, is known to many Canadians who have savored its hedonistic attractions.

Set in a scenic bay, and dwarfed by wooded mountains, this city of 400,000 has what must be near perfect weather for sunbathers, swimmers and snorkelers. In winter, the temperature hovers in the 70s and 80s; in summer, considerably higher.

Acapulco, founded by Spanish conquerors in the 16th century but only developed some 30 years ago, has 300 hotels and, one might think, as many discos. Restaurants, some belonging to American chains, line the city's main street, shaded somewhat by coconut and palm trees.

In all probability, Acapulco's greatest single attraction is at La Quebrada.

There, day in and night out, divers plunge off a 130-foot high sheer rock cliff into the swirling waters of the Pacific Ocean. At night, their performance is more spectacular because they dive from their perch with two flaming torches.

The divers' work is hazardous, given the unpredictable sea currents, the shifting winds and the treacherous rocks beneath the foam.

They attract visitors from far and wide, and almost everybody watches the feat with a mixture of awe and morbidity. The curious onlookers lean against the iron railing closest to the cliff, their eyes firmly fixed on the diver who risks his life or limbs in the pursuit of his thrilling vacation.

A half-hour before the death-defying act, a man in civilian clothes collects the equivalent of 50 cents from each visitor, whether local or foreign. Nobody quite knows if the collection is legitimate, but never mind. The show is surely worth half a dollar.

At last the diver appears, emerging from some hidden crevice in the cliff.

Limbering up, he jumps up and down, the crowd eyeing him intently. Then, poised like a rocket, he aims himself toward the water, letting himself fall into the watery depths.

A Mexican says: "That's just the warm-up."

Seconds elapse and the diver bobs to the surface of the pulsating water, heading toward the cliff opposite the viewing gallery. With incredible strength, he fights his way to the rocks, clutching them, as huge waves wash over his seemingly frail body.

With bare feet, he scales the cliff effortlessly, reaching the top in a couple of minutes. Once atop, he secrets himself in a neo-lit chapel whose kitschy appearance hardly belies Acapulco's glitzy exterior.

Meanwhile, the hordes in the gallery wait quietly but restlessly.

Finally, the man of the hour appears, casting a shadow.

Without further ado, he lights two torches and raises them high over his head. He stands there silently, the crowd deathly still.

He dives into the inky blackness of the Pacific, his taut torso as straight and true as an arrow. He hits the water, barely causing a ripple, the torches going out on impact.

The applause is polite, restrained, perhaps because the diver did not get into trouble. One tends to think it might have been heartier had he come within a hair of killing himself.

Spent, the diver clambers up the cliff and eases himself over the railing of the gallery. A few tourists glance at him; the rest drift off into Acapulco's night, pursued by boys hawking trinkets and taxi drivers offering rides and women.

Haifa one of most beautiful Israeli cities

By CARL ALPERT

HAIFA —
This city spread out on the slopes of Mount Carmel, from the very upper stretches where the Druze villages occupy strategically the most defensible heights, and rolling down the hillsides and ravines to the very edge of the sea, is undeniably the most beautiful metropolis in Israel.

In the old days when most visitors came from the sea, they would gather at the ship's railings to gaze with admiration and awe as they glided to the city. Today's tourists, most of whom come into the country at Ben Gurion airport, for the most part see only as much of Haifa as can be taken in from the windows of their bus or car. But even that often includes large gulps of vista, magnificent architecture and lovely landscaping.

Like Tel Aviv, Haifa, too, has in recent years begun to go high-rise, and dozens of tall apartment houses scattered through the town indicate the trend to concentrated urban living.

If one stands back somewhat, there are certain conspicuous landmarks, some old some new, which collectively have today become the unmistakable symbols of this city on a mountain.

Next time you are in Haifa perhaps you will have the time to pause for a moment to take in the outstanding visual features of the city. Great Britain has recently issued a set of postage stamps featuring the major landmarks of London. If I were to produce a set of stamps based on Haifa, the following are the architectural features I would select:

1. The gold dome of the Bahai shrine, located amid the manicured Persian gardens in mid-city. This is not a temple, as so many people mistakenly believe, but a mausoleum standing astride the old tomb in which the remains of the Bab, the forerunner of the Bahai faith, are buried.

2. The striking white Greek marble edifice which will be the Bahai Universal House of Justice. The structure, just now being completed, is marked by a colonnade of 25-foot high marble pillars; the whole seems to be a picture out of ancient Greece.

3. The Dagon grain elevators, at the edge of the port. Anywhere else in the world an industrial building of this nature is generally an eyesore. Here, imaginative architectural treatment has transformed it into a pleasing landmark.

4. Technion's new Medical Sciences Building, erected by the Rappaport family of Geneva, rises in gleaming white above the drab surroundings of the waterfront and the Bat Galim area. The huge concrete "ears" which project up from the building are not merely decorative; they are a practical solution for the housing of a vast amount of intricate machinery and equipment which serve the building's facilities.

5. High up on the top of the mountain rises Eshkol Tower of Haifa University, like a long slender finger poking up into the sky. It can be seen from many parts of the country, at a great distance, even before Mount Carmel itself comes into sight.

6. Closer to the nose of the peninsula is the massive rectangular structure of the Dan Carmel Hotel. When first put up it provoked regrets and objections from esthetes who felt it spoiled the natural contour of the mountain ridge. In a few years it will be joined by many other similar structures as the upper Mount Carmel skyline begins more and more to resemble the horizon of Manhattan.

7. On the flatlands east of the mountain stand the two huge concrete cooling towers, erected by the British for the oil refinery. Conservationists will be relieved to learn that the emission from the twin stylized cones is not smoke but steam, which condenses harmlessly into the air.

These are the most conspicuous landmarks, but there is much, much more to see here. Haifa, with only about 150 years of history, cannot compete with Jerusalem's 3,000 years. Neither does it rival the pretentiousness of Tel Aviv which seeks to be anb

Aviv which seeks to be an Israeli Paris/New York/London, but it does have more than 150 striking archeological historical, architectural, religious, military and landscape sites which for the most part go unnoticed. They give Haifa a special charm possessed by no other town in Israel.

Gamble on Atlantic City

Take a gamble on a weekend in Atlantic City.

Conquest Tours has organized two trips to Atlantic City. For $239 per person double, visitors can spend three days and two nights (Saturday to Monday) at the Ritz Hotel on the boardwalk, or two days and one night (Saturday to Sunday) for $199 per person double. Singles add $105 and $90 respectively.

With the many hotels under construction, "Atlantic City will be like Las Vegas," said Frank Ninno, product manager for Conquest Tours. Gambling was introduced into the city in 1978.

The Air Jamaica plane for the trip leaves Toronto on Saturday morning and lands in Philadelphia, which is about 60 miles from Atlantic City. An Avis car is provided at the airport and the drive should take about one hour, said Ninno.

The Ritz Hotel, which has been converted from the Ritz-Carlton Apartments, does not have a casino yet, but it is in the midst of an expansion, he explained.

The price does not include shows or meals. Headliners appearing in the hotels have included Frank Sinatra, Rich Little, Steve Martin and many more.

Ninno said the hotels and airline will probably cater to kosher requests.

Conquest Tours will eventually be offering three- and four-night programs, but the current trips will be offered every weekend, all year round, he said.

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Rabbi sets up a reading program for adults seeking to learn more about their Jewishness

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO — Do you suffer from cultural anxiety, aimlessness and an emptiness of spirit?

The remedy may be exactly what's offered by the adult education department of the Joseph and Faye Tanenbaum Jewish Education Program — a custom-tailored program of basic Yiddishkeit.

Rabbi Abraham Sapirman, 35, the jovial director of the program, told The Canadian Jewish News that "there is a movement of people looking for their roots."

He added: "What we do is meet with people who either call the general JEP number, 781-1081, or are referred to me directly, to assess their level of Jewish knowledge. From there, I set up an individual reading program from our lending library of about 600 books, and assign them to the most appropriate of our four weekly classes. I also talk about and explain things of concern to them on an individual basis.

"This is a community service, funded by donations. There is no charge whatsoever," he emphasized.

Rabbi Abraham Sapirman, right, and Rabbi Shlomo Mandel. [Ben Lechtman photo]

Classes are as follows: on Monday evenings, for men and women, at the Beth Jacob High School on Lawrence Ave., basic concepts and texts in Judaism are covered on a sequential basis.

The remainder of the week's classes are on the premises of the Coldstream Ave. kollel, currently for men only. On Tuesday evenings, basic Chumash with Rashi's commentary is studied and discussed at length. Wednesday night is the teenagers' program, currently exploring the relevance of Pirkei Avot — Ethics of the Fathers — to their own lifestyle. Thursday evening is an accelerated class in Chumash and Rashi, geared less to discussion and more to covering ground.

All classes are in English.

Currently about 100 people are registered in the four classes, with about 65 attending regularly, according to Rabbi Sapirman. "In addition there are those who read on their own or who just drop by for a schmooz," he added.

The library, with 600 volumes and growing rapidly, is an integral part of the adult program. "Every book fills a need," said Rabbi Sapirman. From an annotated prayer book and the basic Chumash to explanations of the festivals and collections of parables and fictionalized biographies, the books are literally prescribed to individuals on the basis of their need, comprehension and level of fluency in Hebrew.

"One of our regulars is a boy whose father and grandfather were both Lutheran Germans, but whose mother and grandmother were Jewish. He wanted — and is receiving — lessons in Hebrew and basic Jewish practices. Because of him, the library now has an alef-bais textbook, too."

Core of the program is the ongoing personal contact between Rabbi Sapirman and the students. "I meet with them on a regular basis, whether it's just a brief chat or an hour-long discussion of issues that have cropped up in the course of their studies," he said.

"Our approach to Judaism is not one of watering it down to make it more accessible, but to present it in authentic form at the individual's level, so that he can grasp and climb from there," added Rabbi Shlomo Mandel, 29, executive director of the JEP and Rabbi Sapirman's fellow teacher.

Other JEP programs include: a day camp for Russian and North African immigrant children; a cultural outreach program, presenting Judaism displays in shopping plazas and other public places; a camp outreach program; and enrolment counselling for day school children.

The JEP was founded in New York in 1971, with the Tanenbaums as charter members. The Toronto branch opened in 1977. Although it has a separate board of directors, the JEP is loosely affiliated with the Agudath Israel organization in North America and sister groups in Israel.

Creative Living Centre meeting seniors' needs

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Those pioneers who started the centre at the 4700 Bathurst St. Headquarters of the National Council of Jewish Women in 1970 could hardly foresee the success of their program. Council knew there was a need for people in their 50s, 60s and 70s who were able to care for themselves physically, were mobile and alert, who could meet, study and even grow through educational and cultural programs and launched the project.

Gloria Strom was founding president, succeeded by Gordon Atlin, who is presently chairman of the board.

By 1976, the centre was providing a program for 123 people a day. In 1977 the centre moved to the Hove St. building of BBYO and continued to expand. Its membership increased to 1,500 and it now serves 600 kosher meals a week.

Though the idea of older and younger members of the Jewish community sharing the same space worked well, the centre could not run any programs in the evenings or on weekends as the young people needed the facilities then. Hence the need for a home the seniors could use all the time.

The membership of the centre cuts across many age, income and occupational boundaries. Some are widows or widowers starting a life on their own after many years of a partnership. Others are married but for a myriad of reasons are lonely and need companionship. Others are new to the city and need a place to meet their peers. Some are newly retired and looking for ways to keep themselves alert and healthy.

These are the needs that continue to challenge the centre 10 years later. There are arts and crafts programs. There are fitness and dance classes. There are lectures on how to grow old gracefully and plan for old age and retirement. There are classes on health care, lectures by authors, psychologists, politicians and others who can inform, interest and teach. Observant older people attend Shabbat services regularly. High Holiday services are also conducted.

The centre has grown in reputation along with its membership. Craft shows by its members have toured the province. The centre's program staff has organized outings to art galleries, plays, concerts and to other cultural events in Toronto and outside Toronto. There is little going on in this metropolis that the centre staff has overlooked.

One of these programs, "Doris' Musical Show" has been filmed by Hollywood for a sequence in a movie called "Off Your Rocker" with Red Buttons, Milton Berle and Lou Jacobi. This musical show has toured many senior citizen homes in Toronto.

Recently the centre initiated a program of "Discounts for Senior Citizens" and as a result many retail business now give special discounts to seniors.

Many members also go out into the community and teach their skills to youth. Some give private tutoring in a wide range of subjects, often at no cost.

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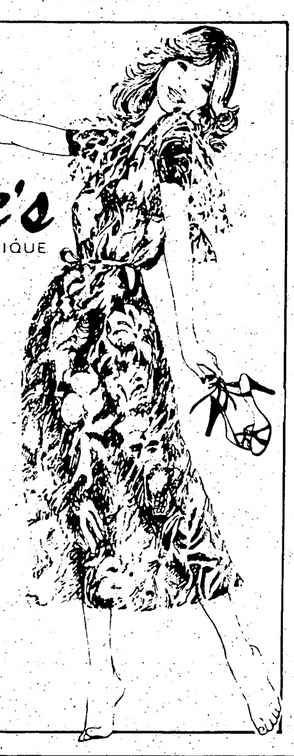

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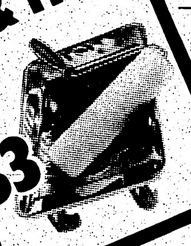

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Lou Jacobi is featured in The Lucky Star, a film directed by Max Fisher.

Canada's "Lucky Star" launches Montreal's world film festival

By MICHAEL ELLIOTT

The Lucky Star, a Canadian film with a distinctively Jewish theme, launched Montreal's fourth World Festival of Films last week. It was Canada's official entry in the festival.

According to Ron Base, in the Toronto Star, "there are problems with The Lucky Star, but it in no way deserves the critical hammering it has taken in Montreal . . . The reviewer from Le Devoir went so far as to suggest the film was made only to appeal to American Jews who run the movie industry."

Base added in his story that Le Devoir's comments "angered the movie's director, Max Fisher, who labeled the review anti-semitic."

Well, regardless of what the Montreal critics say about it — and regardless of the controversy — the appearance of Max Fisher's The Lucky Star comes as a welcome and shining example of the potential of the Canadian movie industry with the right combination of script, direction and performance.

Also significant is the film's subject matter — about a Jewish boy who is separated from his family in Nazi-occupied Amsterdam — the treatment of which should be important to members of the Jewish community.

The Lucky Star opens in an Amsterdam nightclub in 1940 where Yiddish cabaret performer/delicatessen owner Elia Goldberg (Lou Jacobi) sings about life as a Jew in the Netherlands. This "Fiddler On the Rhine" mood is greatly enhanced by the hum-along songs written for the film by Art Phillips.

We are then introduced to the film's young hero, David Goldberg, whose deep passion for American westerns occupies every minute of his time in between bar mitzvah lessons. Played with great understanding by Brett Marx, a 14-year-old veteran of three Bad News Bears movies and whose surname and curly locks remind one of a young Harpo, David's love of the tradition of the Old Wild West, the tradition of simple, down-to-earth values and law-of-the-land justice, almost serve as a protective mechanism against the evil and corruption of the time that was slowly moving in on David and his Jewish brethren.

It is David's obsession with the myth of the American cowboy in fact, which initially saves his life. During one of many nights atop his roof in full cowboy regalia, David plays out his fantasy beneath the stars, far above his father's dell, unaware that on this night down below a silent Gestapo raid has left him alone, unseen, now separated from his family and friends.

When David later realizes with horror the significance of his empty home, he flees to the Dutch countryside where he is cared for and later hidden by a sympathetic widow (Louise Fletcher). It is there the village's weak-kneed mayor, discovering that David is a Goldberg, pins the yellow cloth star to his chest — a symbol which David accepts to be one of courage and honor. It is his sherrif's badge.

Taking on his new role with conviction, David captures an officer of the German high command (Rod Steiger) and, in a series of sequences highly improbable yet offering many interesting possibilities, the boy keeps him in a makeshift prison cell with the intention of bringing the officer to "justice."

The role of Col. Gluck brings Steiger full circle, having won an Oscar in 1965 for his role as a concentration camp survivor in The Pawnbroker.

Although the interplay between German colonel and Jewish boy is often provocative, Max Fisher's efforts to give the Steiger character a greater dimension than is found in most screen Nazis sometimes backfires. Fisher succeeds in making the officer human, as he has done with all his characters. However Gluck's injection of humanity at times makes him appear humane, an attribute to which some viewers could justifiably take offense.

Despite some occasional bits of dialogue drifting into cliche, The Lucky Star succeeds with its insightful script and performances.

Writer-director Fisher, who began his career as an advisor on Egyptology for Cecil B. De Mille while preparing The Ten Commandments, has poured a great deal of time and compassion into the film, complemented beautifully by Frank (Dr. Strangelove) Tidy's brilliant photography, shot largely in the Montreal area.

Brett Marx's David is a thoughtful, endearing interpretation that should bring the young actor deserved recognition as a future lead performer. David's credo, "I may bite the dust, but you can't kill what I stand for," becomes more than just a line from an old western movie; it is the battle cry of a people fighting for survival, and the words are a testimony to that continued survival.

The ending of the film is not a happy one. The harsh reality of that time-period would have rendered such a closing impossible.

Heartwarming without being overly sentimental; honest without being clinical, The Lucky Star is a film that can and should be seen by people of all ages. It joins the ranks of Lies My Father Told Me and The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz as fine examples of Canadian Jewish cinema.

It is expected that the film will be shown in the Toronto area later in September.

Mavericks tried to overthrow Nazis

books

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

A Noble Treason
By Richard Hausner
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They were self-made pariahs, seemingly implausible rebels, representing a "tiny island of dissent in an ocean of conformity," as Richard Hanser so aptly puts it in "A Noble Treason."

The mavericks in question belonged to White Rose, a tiny organization dedicated to the overthrow of the National Socialist regime headed by Adolf Hilter. White Rose had only a handful of members, but they were a zealous, determined lot.

Little has been written about White Rose in the English language, so Hanser's book, flawed as it is by purple prose and rather cheap sensationalism, should be welcomed.

The guiding spirits behind White Rose were a brother and sister, Hans and Sophie Scholl, both of whom were beheaded by the Nazis in the winter of 1943. Among the other brave conspirators were Christoph Probst, a medic in the German army; Kurt Huber, a crippled university professor; Willi Graf, a Christian humanist whose Aryan looks would have greatly pleased Hitler's racial theorists, and Alexander Schmorrel, a bon vivant whose easy manner disguised an anguished soul. They, too, were executed by the Nazis.

Hans Scholl, the son of a liberal German whose distaste for Nazism earned him opprobrium and a prison term, was a member of the Hitler Youth before becoming disillusioned with the system. Like Probst, he was a medic in the army, serving in France and Russia. His sister, a Munich University student, grew committed to her brother's cause with the passage of time.

That the Scholls turned to anti-Nazi activity was a shock to the authorities. The Scholls were unlikely rebels, being from solid middle-class families whose values were rooted in submission to authority. They were not radicals. And because of their background, the Scholls' jailers–treated them with kindness and even deference.

Why did they and their associates risk their lives for the cause? Hans Scholl, for one, was an idealist. He demanded meaning from life. At first, he found it in the Hitler Youth. When disappointment set in, when he realized the Nazis were evil pagans, he rebelled.

Scholl and his band of followers committed treason by circulating seditious leaflets in the streets of German cities. German war victories in Russia and North Africa only whetted their appetite to bring down the regime.

The leaflets were eloquent. "Nothing is more unworthy of a cultured people than to allow itself, without resistance, to be goverened by an irresponsible clique motivated by the darkest instincts," one read.

Another one, referring to the measures taken against Jews, proclaimed: "Here we see the most frightful crime against the dignity of man, a crime for which there is no parallel in all human history."

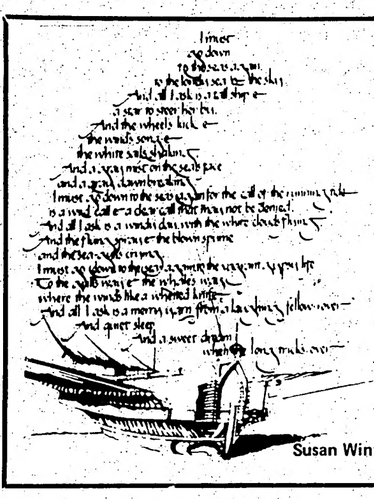
A third flyer distilled the essence of White Rose: "A victory for fascist Germany in this war would have the most terrible and incalculable consequences. The chief concern of every German should not be the defeat of Bolshevism but rather, above all, the destruction of National Socialism ..."

The plotters had no real ideology to guide them toward the future. Weimar democracy had failed abysmally, but in a vague way they still leaned toward a liberal democratic system.

Hans and Sophie Scholl might have lived had they not made a foolish mistake in disseminating their leaflets at the University of Munich, a hotbed of Nazism. But one slip was enough to doom them. Hans could have escaped to Switzerland, but he preferred to spare his family and face his captors.

At their rigged trial in Berlin, the rabid judge, Roland Freisler, asked Sophie Scholl about White Rose. She replied: "Somebody, after all, had to make a start. What we wrote and said is also believed by many others. They just don't dare to express themselves as we did."

That, in essence, was the tragedy of White Rose. While Hans and Sophie Scholl and their followers and sympathizers gave their lives for freedom and decency, their fellow Germans were devastatingly silent for all the world to know.



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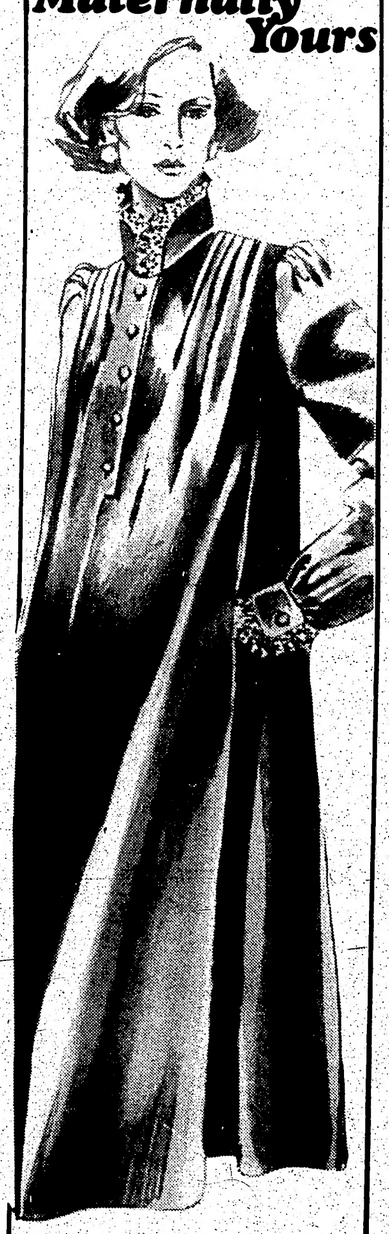

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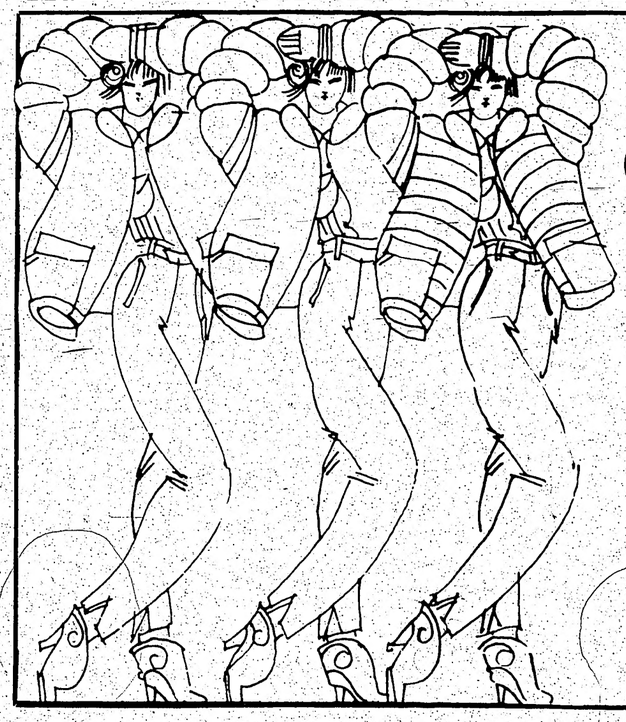

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Drachim Vaderech B'Chinuch
By Rabbi Akiva Egozi
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This book consists of a selection of essays, articles and studies published by Rabbi Akiva Egozi over a period of some 20 years in the Hebrew Quarterly "Shevilei Hachinuch." It deals with the theory and practice of Jewish education and school management.

There is strong emphasis on the actual, inherent in teaching and the learning process. Relations between students, teachers, principal and parents are discussed at some length.

Despite the fact that the work is spread over a period of two decades, it has lost none of its vitality or timeliness.

A survivor of the Holocaust, in which he lost all members of his family, Rabbi Egozi, a distinguished scholar, has held a series of major posts in education, including his post as dean of the yeshiva in Providence, Rhode Island, and dean of the Yeshiva University, West Coast division, in Los Angeles.

He was a disciple of distinguished Torah scholars, Hagaon Rav Elchanan Vaserman and Hagaon Aaron Kotler, and received his general education in U.S. universities.

For the past five years, he has served as director of education of the Associated Hebrew Schools of Toronto, the largest Jewish day school in the Diaspora.

Rabbi Egozi's book is divided into two major sections: (a) the first dealing with issues as between teachers, pupils and parents and (b) the second dealing with matters that apply as between principal and teachers, covering largely the area of successful school administration.

According to the author, the essence of teaching consists of:

1. Transmitting knowledge.
2. Deepening appreciation of, respect for, and faith in the values of the religious, national tradition, so that the student will model his life style in harmony with Torah and mitzvot.
3. Developing the faculties of understanding and judgment.
4. Sharpening the critical sense with respect to social and moral values.

The author touches on the general curriculum, long and short term objectives and lesson units. He makes a keen analysis of the theory of education and gives multiple concrete examples on facts and methods of both curriculum and lesson planning which can be very helpful to the teacher.

The capacity and abilities of the students are a factor in determining the goal of the year's curriculum. The short term objective should be flexible and is to be modified in the light of feedback from the student body.

Among the subjects dealt with in the book are aims in the teaching of Bible. The intent is not merely to provide knowledge of biblical sources, but to implant a religious, ethical philosophy; to develop positive attitudes towards Jewish and humanistic values which will lend direction to the student's life.

Among other topics dealt with are the teaching of Talmud; the use of written exercises and composition in the improvement of Hebraic, linguistic, facility; developing the ethical personality, and positive emotional response.

The most effective teaching method in this area is by example. Both school and home must find a rapport in establishing standards of conduct, thus creating a naturally warm environment for the cultivation of good manners and spiritual values. These are to be based on repetition of deeds in practice, and a rationale of motivation.

There are numerous examples in Bible, Talmud, Agada, and Jewish history which illustrate and underpin the rationale of ethics and mitzvot.

Other topics dealt with at some length are: the question of homework, advantages and disadvantages. (The author favors it, provided it is carefully planned and explained to the student); dealing with the student as an individual; how to meet the needs of the gifted child; guidance to independent study and self education; how to develop good social habits and a willingness to participate in communal life; exploiting the summer months by making them an integral part of the annual learning process.

The last few articles are devoted to relations with parents, teachers, and other aspects of school administration.

In an article on yeshiva education, the author stresses that its purpose is to inculcate confidence in the young who live in the atomic age. The future is founded in the past. Day school general, as well as Jewish studies, are impregnated with a sense of morality whose origin is divine inspiration. Science and technology are important, but along with scientific knowledge, there must be fostered spiritual values and moral traits.

One article deals with the specific problems encountered by a teacher in adapting to the environment and sometimes cultural vacuum of the smaller community. The teacher must learn to appreciate the conditions which make for the differences in outlook and customs as between the large and small community. He must arm himself with patience in trying to make an impact on the general tenor of community life and concentrate his efforts in and around the school.

The principal plays an important role in preparing the teacher for his task, particularly in guiding the younger teachers and encouraging them towards professional growth. The various functions of the principal include teacher direction and training, supervision, administration and public relations.

Rabbi Egozi's work is filled with a mass of ideas, method, concrete examples and scholarly research. It will be a most valuable addition to the library of the Jewish educator.

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SHARON L. DRACHE

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Can you believe this dizzy declaration describing the effect of her illicit lover is made by a supposedly sane, Jewish, middle-aged, middle class woman, Shirley Kaszenbowski, née Silverberg?

In this unusual novel, Helen Weinzweig's heroine, Shirley, abandons her Polish husband Zbigniew, an ungrateful dreamer who prefers horses to women, to search unceasingly for Coenraad, a mysterious man who works for "The Agency." In an attempt to sacrifice herself totally for "true love," she also leaves behind two children and a house in the suburbs. She assumes an alias, Lola Montez.

Shirley doesn't know much about her lover's work, except that "it is in a sense global," but she's still rooted enough in reality to postulate (when she's not with Coenraad) that his involvement with The Agency may not be pretty. "Was Coenraad using me for his work, was his love affair just another cover? she wonders.

Yet, she seems doomed to love him unconditionally. Driven by unbridled passion she agreed to let him leave clues for her based on secret codes in the National Geographic arranging for clandestine rendezvous for the two of them in countries all over the world.

When the book begins, Shirley, armed with Lola's passport, sporting a basic black dress, a string of pearls around her neck, a Holt Renfrew tweed coat (the formal disguise which she always wears when she's pursuing her lover), receives the following message from Coenraad in Guatemala: "You will find instructions in pocket of seat in front of you on the next plane to Toronto."

She responds: "Toronto! I can't go there . . . that's where I live." And her lover counters, "take it or leave it. That's my next assignment."

Needless to say, Shirley does what she is told and when she disembarks at Malton (dating the book) she proceeds with her next clue, "Elm." She decides Elm must be a street. Searching a Toronto map, she finds there are two Elm streets and 24 Elm everything else. She's shattered. In her quest to find Coenraad she must travel all over the city.

However, the trek enables her to visit the streets of her childhood, the Spadina-Dundas world of the Jewish immigrant. Unfortunately, her list of memories is sour – the bitter experiences of the working class. A poignant slam in a young girl's face, Shirley's, by a landlady with whose husband the child's mother was having an afternoon affair, leaves a permanent scar, perhaps the one which leads this Jewish woman, in her later years, to search so blindly for love.

Specific encounters stress the theme of the protagonist's quixotic journey – for instance, a trip to a bakery on Elm Place in the Kensington area. Here, the owner reads a heartrending story to Shirley from the Jewish Daily Forward. A woman confesses to the editor and readers, a taint on her character for which she has never forgiven herself, a useless search for love. But the saga is in weekly instalments, the end to be printed the following week. "So, come back in a week," the bakery woman urges.

This concrete invitation is symbolic, for wherever Shirley travels in Toronto, the past beckons, "return." But instead of an all-embracing family, a comforting shtibel or the delicious smell of warm Sabbath bread, Shirley finds only deprivation and despair in the streets of her youth – what one turns away from, not back to.

This novel asks some naked questions about roots. Shirley's odyssey is Helen Weinzweig's deliberate way of saying that Jews have a tendency to paint the past rosy when it's not, and she says this very well, indeed!

Weinzweig came to Toronto at the age of nine (1915) from Poland. Basic Black with Pearls is her second published novel. Prior to publication, an excerpt appeared in The Tamarack Review and another portion was a winner in the nationwide 1979 CBC literary competition.

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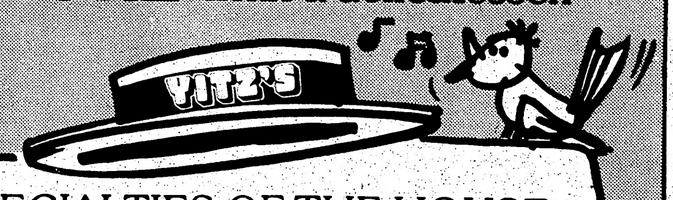

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Dutch families honored for bravery

By BEVERLEY STERN

David Ariel, left, with Gideon Hausner looking on, congratulates Ulfert Vanderwal, Margaret Vanderwal and Jozias de Krijger.

TORONTO — Two Dutch families who sheltered Jews during the Nazi occupation last week received Yad Vashem awards for bravery before an overflow audience at the Beth Tzedec Synagogue which had gathered for the opening session of the first international symposium on how to teach the Holocaust in high schools.

Ulfert Rients Vanderwal and his wife, and James de Krijger received standing ovations from a crowd of over 1,500 which spilled out into the synagogue's halls, forcing meeting organizers to move the session into the main sanctuary.

The symposium was sponsored by the Bar-Ilan University's Institute of Holocaust Studies along with Zachor, the Holocaust Resource Centre, the National Jewish Resource Centre, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, the Holocaust Remembrance Committee of Toronto Jewish Congress and the Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan.

There were major addresses by Gideon Hausner MK, the Israeli prosecutor of Nazi Adolph Eichmann, and Irwin Cotler, Canadian Jewish Congress president.

Also present were many members of the families of the Vanderwals and de Krijgers as well as survivor Klara Elte, who hid out with the de Krijgers.

Lean, tanned and fit, Vanderwal, speaking in English, said that "a deep sense of Christianity" motivated and sustained his family.

He decried the terrorism, humiliation and destruction of the Jews, urging his audience to keep the memory of the Holocaust alive.

Israeli consul-general David Ariel, who presented the Yad Vashem awards, said that the Vanderwals, who sheltered a Jewish couple from July 1942 to May 5, 1945, constantly took risks. "In the severe winter of 1944, Vanderwal often left his home during the curfew hours to gather wood to heat the kitchen to provide warmth. Once, they had to call a doctor into their home to treat Mr. Elte," Ariel said.

Ariel similarly cited the de Krijgers for their shelter of two sisters in their home from November 1943 until the end of the war. The de Krijgers lived near a railway station and were subject to frequent searches by the Nazis.

"Many years have gone by since then," remarked Ariel, "but we have not forgotten."

In a pessimistic observation in which he noted that "man is his own worst enemy, the most destructive of all animals," Tom Driessen, acting consul-general of the Netherlands, expressed "little hope that the human condition will ever change."

He charged all, particularly Western churches, to preserve the memory of the Holocaust in order to combat the efforts of all political systems, Nazi or Communist, which sought to desecrate human lives and rights.

In a wide-ranging speech, Gideon Hausner, president of Yad Vashem and consultant to the Institute Holocaust Studies at Bar Ilan University, referred to the Eichmann trial in Jerusalem as an instrument in focusing on the Holocaust.

"It was at the trial that so many agonizing questions hurled themselves at us, Jew and non-Jew alike," said the former Israeli attorney-general, military prosecutor and president of the military court.

"The way a nation remembers its past reveals its basic philosophy of life. Some countries adjust the past retroactively to fit the present day needs of a ruling circle, as in the Communist countries," he said.

"Other countries," continued Hausner, "such as Germany, have historians who commit to memory only events of glory and trial. They dismiss with a brief footnote their periods of moral degradation."

The Polish-born Hausner, who moved to Israel with his family in 1927, said the Holocaust, like the Exodus, marked a turning point in Jewish history.

But while Exodus taught Jews their responsibility to God, to each other, and to themselves, "it had little to offer about our standing in the family of nations," he commented.

In the Holocaust the Jews stood alone, but the evil doctrines of Nazism eventually encompassed the whole world, Hausner observed. He added that the lessons of the Holocaust were for everyone, if human beings were to survive.

In delivering the concluding remarks of the evening, civil rights lawyer and attorney for Prisoners of Zion, Irwin Cotler, pointed out that, despite the courage and bravery of individual citizens, sounds of the Holocaust were not only still re-echoing but in fact gathering in intensity.

Cotler outlined two central themes as marking what he termed "the resonances of the Holocaust in our time."

"Classical anti-semitism denied the rights of individual Jews," he said, "but the new anti-semitism denies the collective rights of the Jewish peole to survive as a nation. To Jews, as individuals, everything. But to Jews as a people, nothing," he stressed.

Secondly, he suggested, there was now a systematic delegitimization of Israel which was similar in effect to the demonization of the Jew in Christianity. Israel is being equated with absolute evil, the enemy of mankind, he said.

Epithets and code-words such as "racist," "colonizer," "Nazi" and "torturers" — the ultimate labels in evil today — are being hurled at Israel daily, and the silence of the Western free world is deafening, Cotler maintained.

"The UN has become a world centre for the propagation of anti-Jewishness," he charged. Cotler listed condemnation of Israel by the International Labor Organization, World Health Organization, UNESCO, UN Human Rights and at the recent UN Mid-Decade Conference on Women in Copenhagen.

While Israel should never be above the law, it at least deserves equality before the law, he argued.

Cotler stated that only Jewish sovereignty is called into question, only Jewish self-defence is called aggression, and only Jews are required to hand back all territories occupied only after acts of aggression by the enemy."

Present during the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Bar Association where prosecution of Nazi war criminals in Canada was being discussed, Cotler pointed out "the moral absurdity" of Canadian scholars documenting official indifference to Jewish war refugees while at the same time the government was hedging on finding a legal basis to prosecute war criminals.

Cotler stated that conversations with Nazi hunter Simon Wiesenthal convinced him evidence does exist for proceeding with investigation and prosecution, and legal inquiries conducted in Canada showed that sufficient legal grounds exist for prosecution.

Initiators of the Institute of Holocaust Studies at Bar-Ilan and the international symposium on teaching the Holocaust in schools are Leona and Arnold Finkler. Mrs. Finkler is national chairman of the symposium project.

President of Bar-Ilan, Rabbi Emmanuel Rackman, said he flew all the way from Israel primarily to thank Leona Finkler, particularly for her efforts in setting up Holocaust studies.

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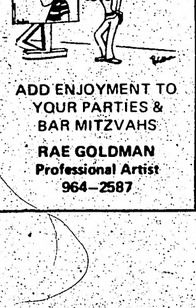
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For most of the year, Steve Moranis works as a real estate broker in Toronto. But one week out of that year he puts on a different hat and leaves his desk at Sadie Moranis Limited to become the co-tournament director for the Player's International Canadian Open tennis championships.

Throughout his college years at U of T, where he earned Bachelor of Commerce and MBA degrees, Moranis was an avid tennis player, who played on the pro circuit during his school days. When he realized he couldn't make a decent living as a tennis pro he switched fields and went into real estate.

However, Moranis didn't want to give up tennis completely. "I still had tennis in my blood," he says, "so when the opportunity came up to work on the Player's International, I jumped at it."

Moranis says the tournament may only be a week long, but for him, there is an entire year of planning and preparation for the event. No sooner is one year's play finished when it's almost time to begin thinking about how to improve things, what to do next year. What should be changed? What should remain the same?

"I have a free hand in setting the thing up," he says. "I'm the guy who has to contact the tent suppliers, the caterer. I'm the one responsible for the negotation of rights fees.

"For me it's a professional hobby."

The Player's International is a huge success, with fans buying their tickets months in advance. Also, there are a number of corporations who've been waiting for more than five years for the chance to purchase a corporate box for the week. (The boxes have four seats and cost $1,500 for the duration of the event. They're about as hard to get as season tickets for the Maple Leafs.)

Moranis tells the Canadian Jewish News that he gets a lot of his ideas for the Canadian Open from his visits to various tennis tournaments around the world. The Toronto event is quite an elaborate affair with an entire tent village set up to keep the fans and players happy. They can do things from buying tennis equipment to grabbing a few beers and a hot dog.

The week of the event is when Moranis says he can sit back, relax and watch things flow smoothly. "My job had to be done before the tournament starts," he says. "I just show up and reap the nachus."

The event is staged by Tennis Canada, with a portion of the profits going to Canada's Davis Cup team and amateur tennis in Canada. Because of that, Moranis can't take his job lightly. "I'm always thinking about it. It's a passion for me because I'm always trying to make it better."

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The National Football League exhibition season is already into full swing and the Canadian Football League is fast approaching the playoffs. That's important to a lot of people. Bookies can start eating their filets-mignons again because it's betting season.

Michael Pomer, 23, of Toronto, has assembled a nifty little reference guide that will make betting a lot easier and also make watching football a lot more fun for the average fan. Called the "1980 Pro-football Grid Guide," it's a complete handbook with scores, odds, tips and the 1980 NFL and CFL schedules.

Pomer says his book is a quick reference guide. "It might show the reader a certain trend. It shows how certain mediocre teams get up when they play other teams."

He guesses there are hundreds of thousands of people watching NFL games on a Sunday afternoon during the fall and winter months in Toronto, but he is only throwing a number into the air when he says there are probably 10,000 Torontonians wagering some money each Sunday afternoon or Monday night on an NFL game.

But Pomer makes a good point for betting when he points out how the halftime shows on Sunday afternoon broadcasts have changed during the past few years. "Six years ago," he says, "you'd watch NFL football and you'd see a band during the halftime show.

"Now they go right to Jimmy the Greek for scores and up-to-the-minute odds. They do that because the people watching want to know the score. They want to know how their bets are doing."

He says when people bet money, they want to win. "It's a big business."

Copies of the book are available from : Empee Publishing, 650 Eglinton Ave. W., Suite 807, Toront, M2L 2G9.

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The Jewish Community Centre took top honors recently at the Adelaide Racquet Club's team racquetball tournament. The JCC collected 23 points, three more than the runnerup.

Ester Horowitz won the women's A singles title to pace the JCC to the victory.

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The Canadian Maccabiah Games Association is holding tryouts for volleyball, team handball and mini-soccer teams prior to Oct. 30 of this year. The only team that is definitely going to the 1981 games in Israel, so far, is the basketball team.

The national selection committee for Maccabiah says if Canada can field a competitive team in these three sports, then it will consider sending it to Israel. That decision has to be made prior to Dec. 31.

At the present time, Canada's basketball team is ranked third among Maccabiah nations.

For more information on Maccabiah team tryouts contact Bernie Offstein at 369-4311.

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The Jewish Community Centre's Valley Tennis Centre was the scene of the opening rounds of the Canadian Junior International Tennis Tournament last week.

It was the Canadian stop on a tour that began in South America, and made stops in Spain, Italy, France and Wimbledon. It winds up in Flushing Meadows, N.Y.

Twenty-six boys and 23 girls under 18 years, from 10 countries, participated in the Toronto event. Three Israelis — Eylon Sinai, Schachar Parkis and Orly Bialistazky — were entered.

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Still on tennis. The Valley also held its club championships last month with the winners being: Men's A singles, Godfrey Traub; Men's B singles, David Kassie; Ladies singles, Valerie Tibbenham; Men's doubles, Harold Niman and Irv Weitzman; Mixed doubles, Renate Butterfield and Bill Smith; Juniors, Mark Krokocki.

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There are only a few days left to get your entries in for the Maccabiah Festival tennis tournament. Ten dollars, plus name, address and phone number should be sent to Roy Fisher, 3701 Chesswood Dr., Suite 318, Downsview.

It's an open men's and open women's event being held from Sept. 24 to 28. Entries close on Sept. 10.

Steve Moranis stands in front of the centre court of the Player's International Canadian Open at York University

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JERUSALEM —

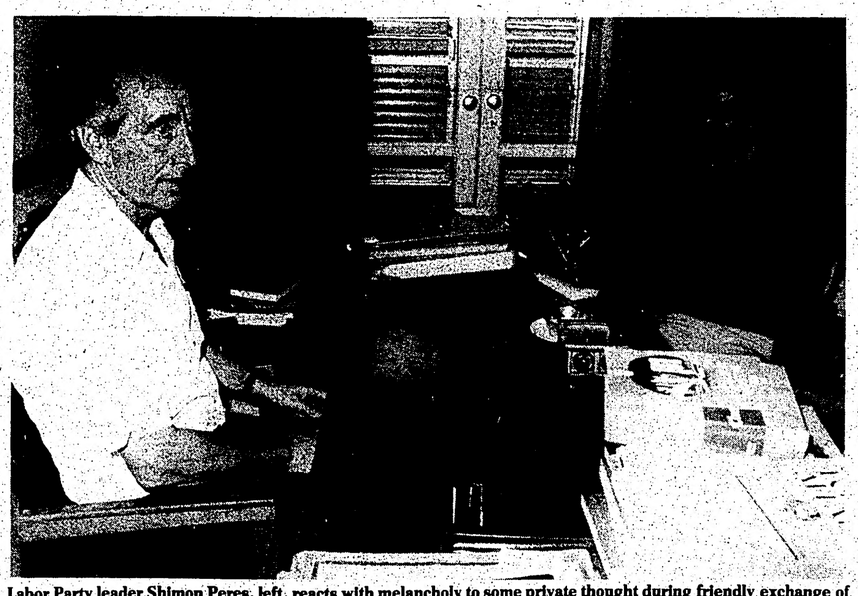
What happened to Kamal Abdel-Malek, the first Egyptian student to study at the Hebrew University since the creation of the State of Israel?

A year ago, Malek left from Montreal for Jerusalem with a scholarship from the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University for a year's study at Israel's centre of Jewish education to discover, at first hand, life in Israel and its values.

A 27-year old native of Alexandria, Egypt, Malek had been a student at a Montreal university when he wrote to the late Golda Meir for help to study in Israel after reading her best-selling autobiography.

"Imagine my surprise when she answered me," he said. "I asked her to help me get to Israel to study the Arab-Israel problem from a whole new vantage point. After reading her book I felt changed — it changed my whole political outlook. Until then, I had hated Israel and Jews and they had been portrayed to me as killers. I was greatly disturbed and I wanted to do something about it."

Just before her death, Mrs. Meir arranged to have Malek accepted to a student at the Hebrew University and supplied with a government visa to come to Israel. Exchanges between the university and the Canadian Friends resulted in a year's scholarship, the first ever granted to an Egyptian student.



Labor Party leader Shimon Peres, left, reacts with melancholy to some private thought during friendly exchange of views with Kamal Abdel-Malek, the first Egyptian student at the Hebrew University in 32 years. [Uzi Keren photo]

Malek arrived to immerse himself in the university's academic, social and political life and, after his year, not only discovered Israel, but became the source of information for Hebrew university students eager to know Egypt and Egyptians.

"I became almost like a spokesman for my country," Malek said. "My fellow students showered me with questions about Egypt and Egyptians — a country and people so close and yet so far away and strange to them. some asked questions out of genuine interest, others to challenge and some to blame. I began to bear the brunt of their criticism and the heavy burden of history, past and present.

"Egypt has become my pride and my shame — the cross and the thorns. And I never felt so Egyptian in my life as I did in Israel."

Soon after his arrival, Malek discovered a deep-seated suspicion among both the Arab and the Jewish students and even found it difficult to get a room mate in the university dormitory.

"Only Michael, a Jewish-American student from Boston, agreed to room with me," Malek said. "But soon, as we got to know each other, many pre-judgments fell. Surprisingly enough, we found a common ground."

Malek was amazed at the similarity between Arabic and Hebrew and he made much faster progress in the language than his U.S. and foreign classmates.

He was constantly bombarded by one question from puzzled students: "But why do you want to study here?" Malek patiently explained his purpose time after time.

"Well," he would say, "I came from the other end of the spectrum. Before I came here, I became aware of the necessity to enough to know each other closely. Ignorance breeds hatred and hatred is the ideal breeding ground for misconceptions and stereotypes."

Malek met with varying reactions from the Arab political and militant ones," he said. "To them, I represented a treasonous regime that sold them out. Others were friendly and showed me genuine typically Arab hospitality. For them I was a living part of Egypt they were familiar with from Egyptian novels, movies, songs and music.

"My teacher of Middle Eastern history is a reserve officer in the Israeli army where he served around the same time I was in the Egyptian army. But now we are in civilian clothes. Occasionally, we engage in a barrage of questions and answers. A barrage of words — not bullets. Maybe in our inexhaustible arguing lies our catharsis."

rid my mind and heart of misconceptions and stereotypes. I want to study things as they are and not through the eyes of somebody else.

"Personally, I don't think Egyptians studying in Israel would, or should be expected to end up ardent Zionists. Nor do I think that Israelis studying in Egypt might turn into staunch advocates of Egyptian nationalism. It is

Record off by 14 years

JERUSALEM [JCNS] —

An 85-year-old Russian immigrant has undergone a circumcision.

Although for many years an Orthodox Jew, Ivan Alexsandrovich, born in 1895, who grew up in a children's home, found that he could not be circumcized in his native Russia because Soviet hospitals do not perform the operation on adults.

Arriving in Israel six weeks ago, he immediately asked to be able to have a brit milah. This was carried out at the beginning of last week at Shaare Zedek Hospital where doctors said he was in good condition. He was discharged from hospital a few days later.

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$259,000. Exquisite gumwood panelling, modern kitchen & bathrooms, centrally aired, completely finished lower level. Automatic double garage. Finest value in demand neighborhood. Cathy Kwinter. 789-4325.

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$87,900. Best location, 2 storey, 3 bedroom, 4 baths, most spacious home of its kind, lovely garden, central air, vacuum system & more. Anne Eidlitz 635-1170.

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Beautiful bungalow on double lot, country style home, 11¼% mrtg., must sell try an offer. **ALAN NEWTON** 222-2003.

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$86,900 — Beautiful 3 bdrm ranch bungalow, family rm & fireplace + W/O, hollywood kit. Vendor has bought **ROZ MARKOWSKI** 222-2003.

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BATHURST & ST. CLAIR AREA — REDUCED $65,900
Brick detached, 4 bdrms, in perfect condition, fireplace, gas heating, excellent mtge. must sell. **IRENE BUSHUEV** 222-2003.

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STEELES & SIMONSTON $87,900
Link 2 storey, 4 bdrm, modern kit., finished bsmt., excellent financing **TAMI GRINGORTEN** 222-2003.

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LESLIE & STEELES $47,900
Bargain price, your choice 3-4-5 bdrm, anxious vendor, **MAXINE LIEBERMAN** 222-2003.

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BATHURST & DREWRY — $61,500 — GORGEOUS
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Stone mini-castle with fabulous renovations. Wonderful clean lines + old charm retained. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths on 2nd. Den on main. Central air. Eleanor Wagman, 483-4337 or 486-7796.

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Very special. Large family home, 5 bedrooms, 6 baths, lower level complete finished with separate entrance (could be Doctor's office). Close to transit. Caroline Brenner, 483-4337.

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LOWER VILLAGE — EAST OF SPADINA
Family living made easy in this 5-bedroom, 2-storey with den & powder room on main + walk-out to fabulous garden. Vendor will hold large 1st mtge. Gayle Esbin, 483-4337.

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$369,000. Prime location! Presently 3 large apts. Could be converted to lavish family home. Ample parking. Exciting potential! See with Syma or Jack Solomon, 483-4337.

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AVENUE RD. & LAWRENCE — $124,500
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Bathurst-Steeles area, 3-4 bedrooms, huge master suite, main floor family room. Excellent financing. Call Harold Hillman, 483-4337 or 881-7523.

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WILLOWDALE BEAUTY — $143,000
Spacious 3-4 bedroom home, eat-in kitchen, panelled main floor family room, powder room, double garage. See with Elaine Schorr, 483-4337 or 787-3250.

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JUST LISTED — BEAVERHALL DR.
Asking $209,900. for SOLD 2-storey home. 4 bedrooms (master ensuite), large main floor family room, powder & family room. Call Shirley Sugar, 483-4337.

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2 fireplaces, finished basement, large eat-in kitchen, 3 bdrms., huge backyard, end unit. 10¼% mortgage, move-in condition, central air, 3 appliances. Call Marilyn or Lilly 225-2600.

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4 bdrm., 2 storey home featuring main floor family room + walkout. Custom finished lower level includes large rec. room + wet bar and

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3 bedroom sidesplit, outstanding condition. Walkout from main floor family room to patio and fantastic inground pool! Hollywood kitchen, 3 baths, finished billiard size lower level, wet bar. Syd-Snell 635-9945.

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Beautiful 4 bedroom, finished basement, double garage, main floor family room, 100' x 175' lot, owner will hold mortgage. David Fogel 635-9945.

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54' x205' lot on Sheppard near Shaughnessy. Sheldon Laiwint 635-9945.

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10 room, heated inground pool, double drive and garage, 4 washrooms, finished lower level with walkout to pool, large eat in kitchen, balconies from dining room and master bedroom, located on quiet cul-de-sac. Enjoy country living in the city. Call Arnie Ross 635-9945.

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$30,000 down. Lovely 3-4-bdrm. family home in top condition, #baths, completely finished bsmt. apt., rec. rm. with wet bar, cent. air, dbl. drive garage, 5 appliances, drapes, many extras. Sally Rosen, 223-6800.

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BATHURST-STEELES 10¼% FINANCING
$10,000 down, charming 3-bdrm. townhome, 3 baths, fam. rm., firepl., walkout, 6 appliances, garage; family-oriented complex. Sally Rosen, 223-6800.

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Beautiful 6 room bungalow, attached double garage, huge hollywood kitchen, king size master with en suite, lower level has rec room with wet bar plus 4 room apartment. Central air. Mrs. Rybak 789-7111.

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BATHURST-BAYCREST AREA
Beautiful 3 bedroom bungalow, large ultra kitchen, king size master with 3 piece en suite. Finished basement. Attached garage. Central air and more. Walk to synagogue and all conveniences. Mrs. Mack 789-7111 or 449-6630.

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DON MILLS-STEELES
Exceptional 4 bedroom 2 storey link. Central air, fully finished lower level. Plus extra bedroom. Impeccable condition. All appliances go. Vendor bought. Call me now for super home! Mrs. Sherman, 789-7111 or 881-2040.

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3 bedroom semi-central air, pool, fully finished lower level with separate entrance. Bus & shops close by. Vendor transferred. All offers presented. Call for personal viewing. Mrs. Sherman 789-7111 or 881-2040.

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STEELES-DON MILLS
Charming 3 bedroom split level link. Main floor family room with fireplace and walkout to inground pool. Won't last long! Call to view. Vendor bought. 10¼% financing. Mrs. Sherman 789-7111 or 881-2040.

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Spacious stone front 3 bedroom bungalow, central air, mahogany kitchen, fantastic Florida room and garden, basement apartment. Mrs. Mosten 789-7111 or 782-0942.

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Gladiola court off Clanton Park, your choice new 4 bdrm. 2 storeys, family rm., fireplace, central air & vacuum, much more, try your offer. ROSE STONE 224-2800.

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BAYVIEW S. OF STEELES — "LIKE NEW" $198,000
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BAYVIEW-JOHN — 10¼% TERMS
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WILSON SUBWAY — $134,900
Luxury 3 plex, ultra kitchens, bath ensuite, balconies, garages, fruit trees, 11% financing. MR. VERRALL 224-2800.

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LESLIE-YORK MILLS — 5 BDRMS. $249,000
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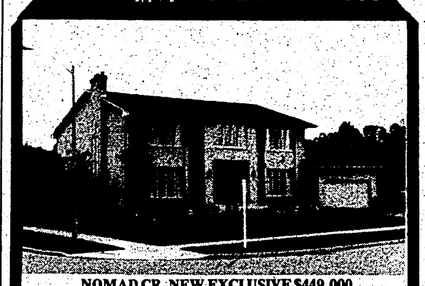

NOMAD CR. NEW EXCLUSIVE $449,000
Stately entry hall leads up to 5 bedrooms, grand sized entertaining rooms, pegged oak & quarry tile flooring throughout main floor, 7 baths. Ron Baker 441-2888 or Elise Kalles

1ST AD — YORK MILLS DENLOW
Banbury Rd. Immaculate 4 bedroom home with main floor family room, 2 walk-outs to secluded landscaped garden. Move-in condition. Owner transferred. $209,000. Call Hilary Cohen or Ron Baker 441-2888.

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IDEAL FOR DR., DENTIST $149,500
Bathurst-Lonsmount 3 storey home, totally renovated. Ideal office & home, side entrance for privacy. Excellent financing. Call Heddy Blaug 441-2888.

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YORK MILLS-LESLIE, $144,500
Super value, this 4 bedroom 2 storey home with main floor den, eat-in kitchen & finished basement. Walk-out to private garden. Steps to Dunlace School. Call Ron Baker or Hilary Cohen 441-2888.

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EXCLUSIVE BOB WHITE CR. $379,000
Luxurious 4-5 bedroom "Ucci" designed home. Ultra kitchen, main floor family & library rooms, completely finished walk-out lower level. Large pantry in kitchen. Ideally suited for entertaining & relaxed living. Ann Kirschenbaum 441-2888.

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RAVINE YORK MILLS, LESLIE $327,500
Almost one acre of park-like property with your own creek. Executive 4 bedroom home, main floor den & family room. Walkout lower level to pool-size lot. Ron Baker or Elise Kalles 441-2888.

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OLD COLONY RD. RANCH — FABULOUS LOT
$369,000. Tucked amid lovely landscaped gardens, country kitchen with walk-in pantry, beamed ceilings in all main rooms, circular drive accommodates 20 cars. Elise Kalles 441-2888.

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BAYVIEW FAIRWAYS — SEA ISLAND AREA
Let me show you this beautiful property move in condition. Reduced $144,500. Vendor has bought. All offers presented. Call Leila Taylor 441-2888.

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STEELES-BAYVIEW
$225,000 Super family home, separate living and dining rooms, family room, 4 bedrooms, 4 washrooms, rosewood panelled rec room, 2 car garage. Goldie Feldman 441-2888.

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UPPER FOREST HILL — $189,900
This is a very special 4 bedroom home, large work-in kitchen loaded with cupboards, central air, double garage, finished basement, within walking distance to synagogues. Ethel Goldman 441-2888.

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COSMIC DRIVE — BRAND NEW!
Magnificent 11 room 3 car garage home. Grand 2 storey foyer with sweeping stairway. All plaster construction. Asking $550,000. If this is your price range don't miss seeing this beauty. Lee Landsberg 441-2888.

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DON MILLS — McNICOLL JUST LISTED!
4 bedroom semi $79,900. 2 washrooms, finished rec room, above ground pool, well decorated, a perfect starter home! Janine Pitch 441-2888.

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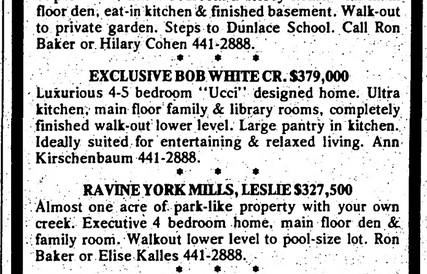
BATHURST-LAWRENCE — $129,900
New on the market. Exceptional 3 bedroom bungalow on 70' lot. Attached garage, double drive, oak kitchen, central air, 2 baths, finished basement. Be first to see! Eva Kirsh 441-2888.



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Bathurst Village 10¼% mtge.
Beautiful spacious 8 rm. backsplit, richly panelled den, large rec rm. & wet bar, huge main fl. family rm. with walkout to garden, large eat-in kitchen. Quality broadloomed. All appls. incl.

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Bathurst-Finch, lovely large solid brick 7 rm. townhouse, broadloom, panelled bsmt. family rm. with walkout to garden. Asking $61,000.

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Finch-Dufferin, converted solid brick triplex, good income. Asking $79,900.
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The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Israel Finkelstein,** husband of Eva Finkelstein, will take place on Sunday, September 7, 1980, 12:30 pm, Mount Sinai Memorial Park, Independent Worker's Circle. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 4

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Carter, Mondale reaffirm Israeli commitment

By WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON — Clearly emerging from the Democratic nominating convention is a pattern of pro-Israel statements coming personally from President Jimmy Carter and Vice-President Walter Mondale, whose dependence on Jewish support in the November election is regarded as crucial by their top political advisers, and a more "balanced" approach from Secretary of State Edmund Muskie and the state department, who have the difficult task of reassuring U.S. friends in the Arab world.

Thus, both Carter and Mondale reached out to the Jewish community by reaffirming their commitments to Israel in their acceptance speeches on Aug. 14.

"I am proud that fully half of the aid that our country has given Israel in the 32 years of her existence has come during my administration," Carter told the delegates at Madison Square Garden. "Unlike our Republican predecessors, we have never stopped or slowed that aid. And as long as I am president, we will not do so. Our commitment is clear: security and peace for Israel, peace for all the peoples of the Middle East."

Mondale similarly singled out Israel for special treatment. "Let me add a special word about Israel," he declared. "Israel is our friend, our conscience, our partner, its well-being is in our moral, political and strategic interests. I stand before you and say that the people of the United States stand by Israel — in this term, in the next term, and always."

The vice-president's words, his advisers told me, were carefully considered. They were largely designed to dissuade Israel's friends in the United States from accepting the apparently prevailing fear that a second-term Carter administration — one which would not have to worry about getting re-elected — might unleash a heavy barrage of pressure against Israel.

Mondale, who is likely to emerge as a presidential candidate himself in 1984 and whose pro-Israel background is well recognized, can be expected to remain an influential counterforce to the career Middle East specialists in the state department and elsewhere in the government during a second-term administration. This will especially be the case if he has visions of succeeding Carter.

In any case, both Carter and Mondale, during the current campaign against Republican Ronald Reagan and Independent John Anderson, will want to distance themselves as much as possible from any controversial remarks on Israel, which will become the primary domain of the state department.

This has already become apparent when focusing on the Democratic Party platform's Middle East plank. On Aug. 13, for example, Carter diplomatically sidestepped the platform's endorsement of Jerusalem as Israel's capital and the transfer of the U.S. embassy there from Tel Aviv. In a written statement to the convention outlining his reservations on various aspects of the platform, the President declared:

"It has been our policy that Jerusalem should remain forever undivided with free access to the Holy Places for people of all faiths. It has been and it must remain our policy that the ultimate status of Jerusalem should be a matter of negotiation between the parties."

Thus, the President did not directly refer to the embassy transfer, although his remarks, mandated by a new convention rule adopted earlier in the week, were seen by diplomatic observers as amounting to an artfully-drafted rebuff.

It followed more forceful statements by Secretary Muskie and other state department spokesmen rejecting Israel's passage of a Knesset bill reconfirming Jerusalem as Israel's eternal capital.

On Aug. 13, the state department's acting spokesman, David Passage, said that the U.S. "doesn't accept nor has it ever accepted unilateral national legislation dealing with Jerusalem.

"The U.S. position is that Jerusalem, sacred as it is to the people of three faiths, should be an undivided city whose Holy Places should be accessible to the people of all religions and whose ultimate legal status should be determined by the negotiations among the people involved," he added.

Muskie had earlier told U.S. News and World Report: "The actions now taken and being considered in Israel on Jerusalem cannot finally settle the status of Jerusalem. At some point, it will be discussed as an issue."

Recognizing the sensitivities involved, Carter made certain to insert all sorts of soothing reassurances to Israel in his statement of reservations. By doing so, he and his political advisers probably hoped that the Jerusalem rejection might be overlooked.

The President went on to say: "I am proud that we have provided a record amount of economic and military assistance to Israel. Unlike the policy of the previous Republican administration, there have been no arms cutoffs or 'reassessments' of policy, nor will there be under a Carter presidency."

UNVEILING

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late beloved **Mollie and Reuben Neinstein** will take place Sunday, September 7, 1980, at 2:00 pm, at the Mount Sinai Memorial Park, Y.M.H.A. Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 4

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Mrs. Betty Volodarsky [Vale],** Mother of R. George, Ben Vale and Sarah Plener, will take place on Sunday, September 7, 1980, 2:30 pm, at Bathurst Lawn Cemetery, Chenstochover Section. 4

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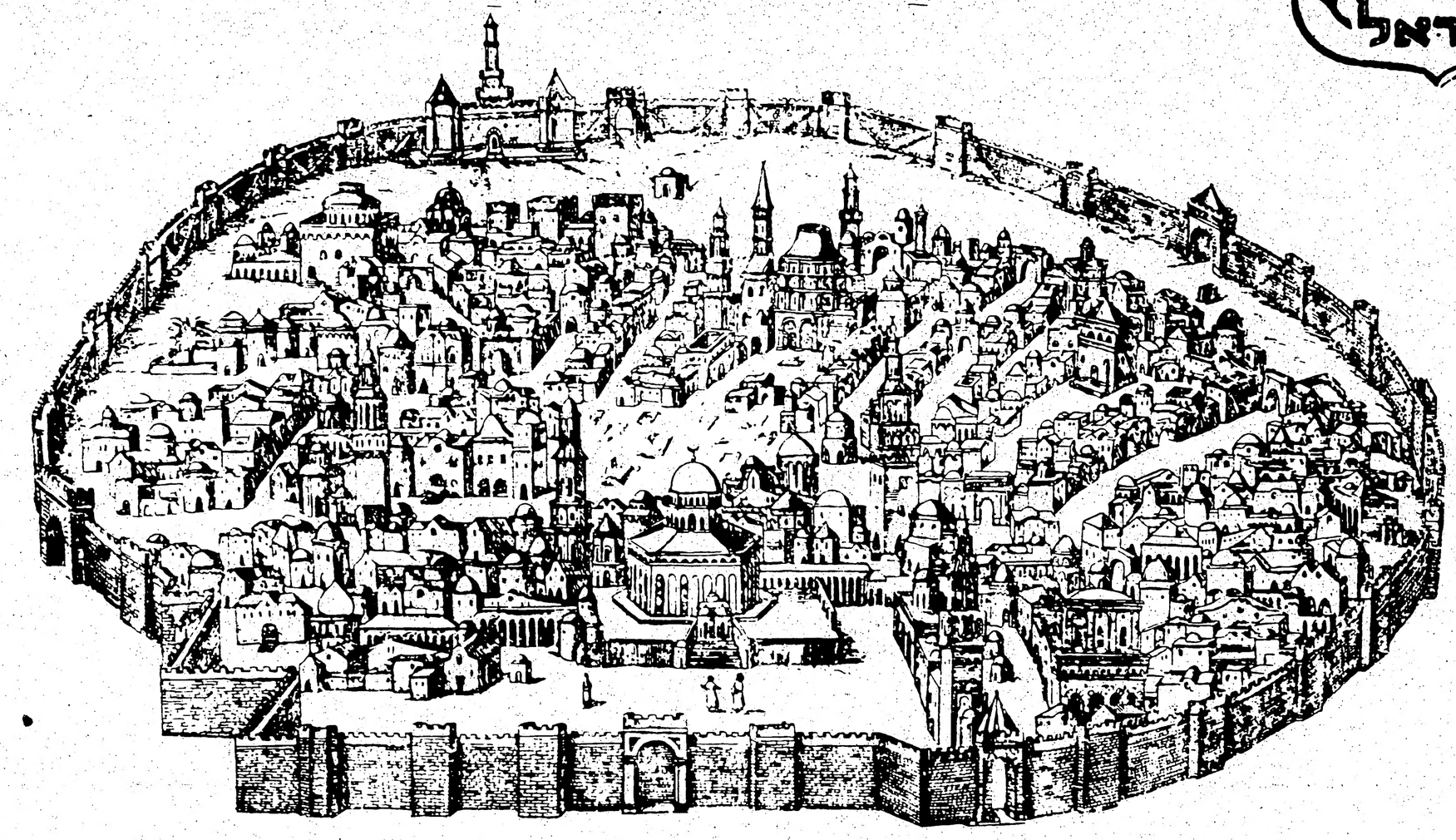

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